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lost in.
- Gregory
Williams, 9

Auto mechanics [vocational]
is awesome. It's like a free
class that inspires you to do
the stuff you want to do.
- Kyle Clay, 12

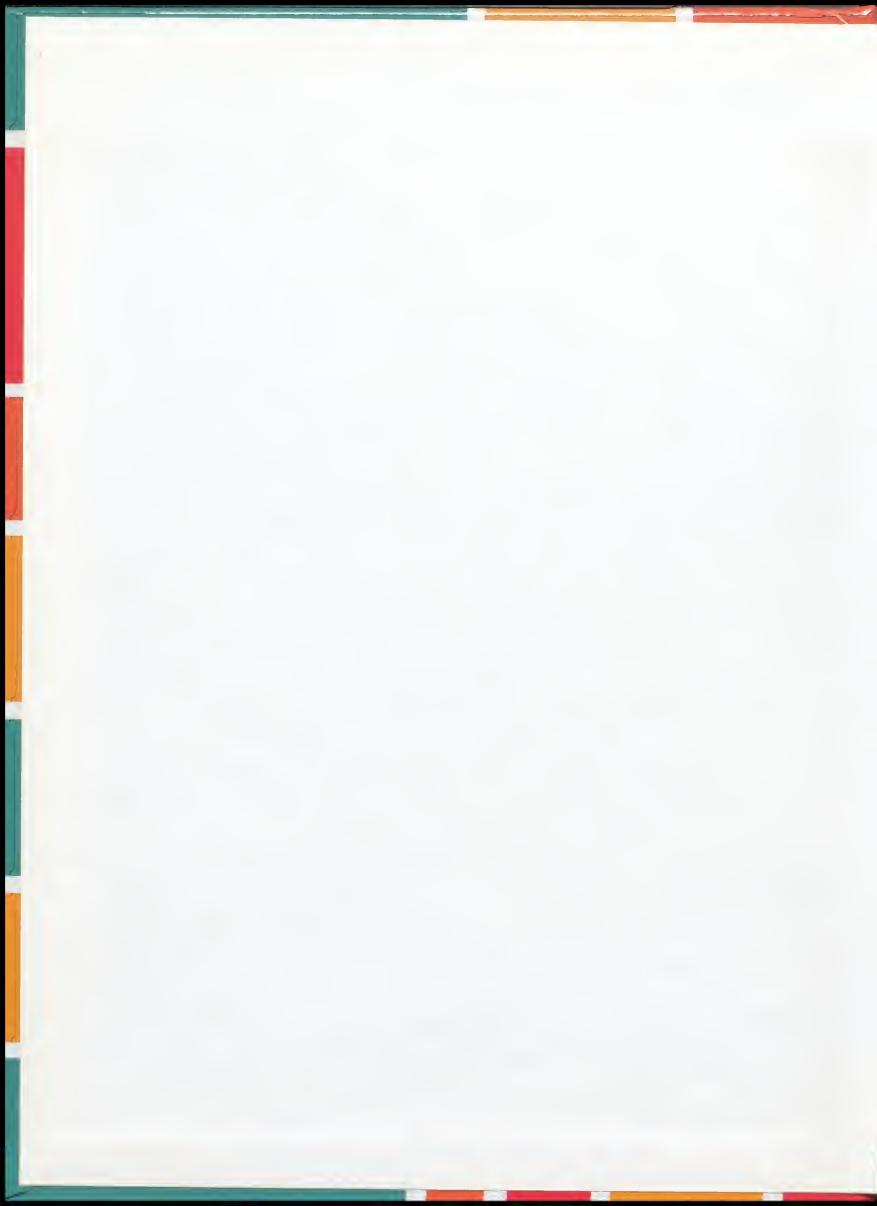
I can't wait for the football
and basketball games; those
are always fun. - Jayshon
Brown, 10

I look forward to every year
because it's a reminder of how
close my dreams are to becoming
reality. - Gabby Rodriguez, 12

It felt good coming back
here [after summer]. I
missed the school, my
friends, and the teachers
that I haven't seen since
June. - Jenna Csepp, 10

Portage is
like a collage
of different
races and
people.
Jada Gilliam
12

say it
Legend 2012






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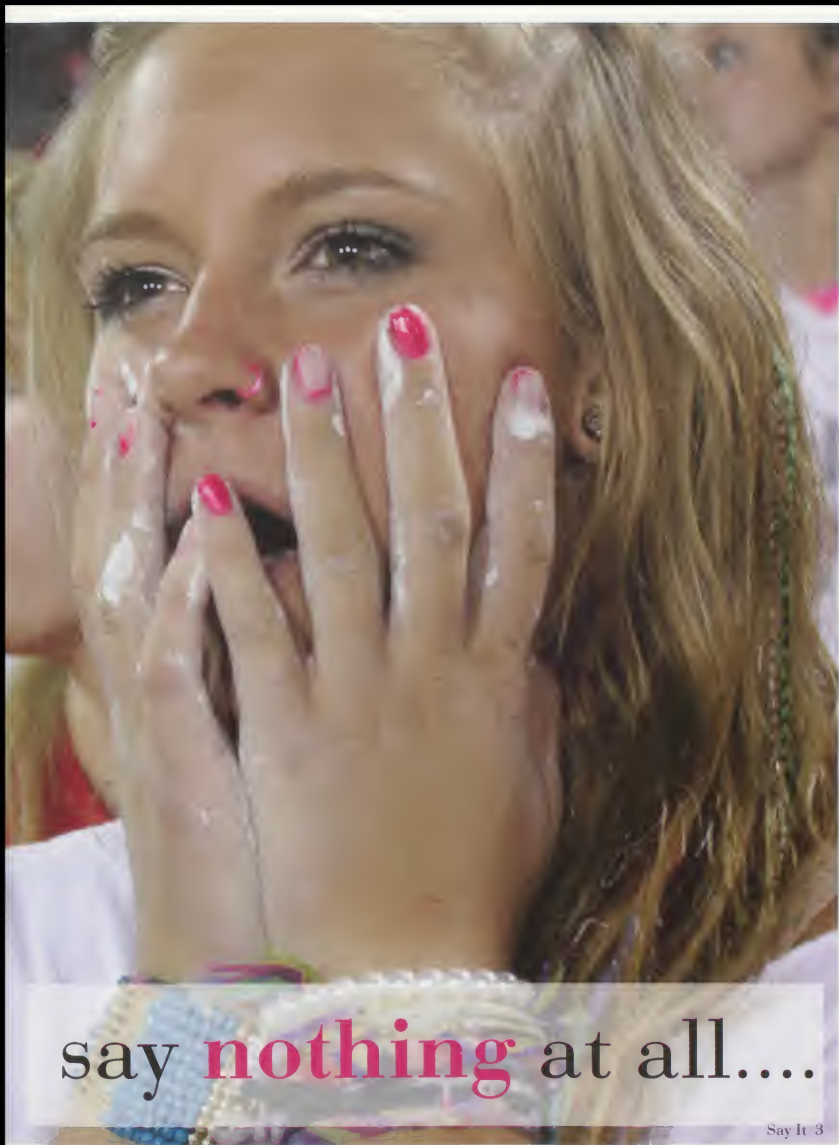


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The closer-than-expected score of the Aug. 25 football game against St. Rita wasn't the only shocking event to happen this school year. On the first day of school, students were shocked when they learned that they would only have six minutes to travel from class to class. The athletic department delivered shocking news when they announced that they would be increasing Club 250 to Club 300, requiring athletes to win at least 300 games to meet the department's goal. The entrance to the student parking lot had been reorganized due to the construction on Airport Road. The revamped entrance was created to help with the flow of traffic while entering and exiting the parking lot.

Photo by Jillian Talley



say **nothing** at all....



Concentration was happening both on and off the course this year. End-of-Term Assessments require the best levels of concentration, but the school made the studying process a little easier when they **decided to give common ETA's**. English 12 and English 12 AP took the common test at the end of each term, meaning students enrolled in multiple English classes only took one final to cover all of them.

The freshmen class, however, took a break from concentrating for two mods on Oct. 27 after winning the **class attendance challenge**. The students spent the rest of the day in the field house winning prizes and dancing to music provided by a DJ.

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concentrate on it...

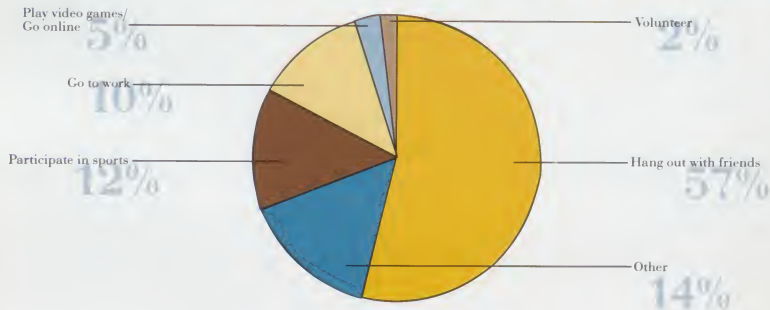
When the bell rings

1) Freshman Jake Vaughan does not hesitate to go paintballing after school with his friends. 2) Senior Robert Blackwell practices for wrestling. 3) Seniors Alexis McKee, Ian Burke, Cody Cabriel and Zachary Statler spend their Thursday nights at Buffalo Wild Wings for 60 cent boneless wing nights. Photos by Jillian Talley



What do PHS students do

AFTER SCHOOL?



Junior Alex Schreier pours soap across the dog while working at Hobart Animal Clinic. Schreier has been working at the clinic since he was 16 years old. Photo Provided by Alex Schreier.



A job for the DOGS

Practice. Homework. Check Facebook. Work.

That is the schedule for most Portage students after school, but junior Alex Schreier, in particular, stands out. He goes above and beyond the basic schedule of most teens today.

After school, Schreier does two strenuous workouts everyday. He also swims with a traveling team and for our school. On weekends he works at the Hobart Animal clinic.

"I love working with at the clinic. I get to see all different kinds of animals and it's always fun to have a new challenge," Schreier said.

While working at the Hobart Animal Clinic on the weekends Schreier works in boarding. He cleans out the animal suites, feeds the animals and takes them out for a quick potty break.

Beside working at the clinic Schreier swims competitively. He swims for Mako at Valparaiso University five days a week. He said he has been swimming since he was eight years old.

Schreier said that although he loves all of the activities he does after school, they do conflict with school life.

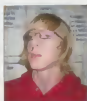
"I put so much time into achieving expectations I lose focus with my friends," he said.

Story by Haley Carter

WORK music

While one student gets ready for work, the other is headed to band practice. Two students talk about working versus playing in a band.

Derrick Swain has a unique job working at the County Line Orchard. "All I really do is kick people out of the corn maze," Swain said.



Derrick Swain, junior



Matt Santiago, senior

Instead of playing sports Matt Santiago sings for his band, Savor the Glimpse. "The name is pretty self-explanatory, if you see a goal in life don't let it go," Santiago said.

Say it with PRIDE

This year's Homecoming week consisted of nothing but crazy themes and school spirit. The week started off with inauspicious day; although it was different for the students, most still participated.

"I got a lot of funny comments, weird looks and a ton of laughs," junior Tony Rice said about his long beard.

As the week continued on, students showed off their creativity through Harry Potter day and Born This Way day.

Born This Way day required students to write a flaw on a shirt that they are most proud of. Although some students were confused about the day, some walked around with shirts that said, "Differently weird," "Chubby" and "King sized."

The last day of spirit week was a day most students were familiar with: Red and white day. Most students wore their "Grill the Dogs" shirts proudly through the halls in hopes of winning the game against the Crown Point Bulldogs.

As the pep rally ended the school day, students cheered and yelled for their Indians and had as much fun as they could. In the end, the seniors left with a victory, taking home the spirit stick.

Students continued to show spirit by tailgating before the game. When the game started, all the fun began. This year, senior Antonio Rodriguez was voted Mr. Football by his teammates.

"I didn't think I would get it. I thought one of my other teammates would have gotten it," Rodriguez said.

Along with these spirit events, the school also had a Homecoming Game.

Homecoming Game: Indians vs. Bulldogs

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Patrick Derr, 11, is lifted into the air by the student section at the Homecoming Game in September. Photo by Jillian Talley



Powder Puff's Leading Ladies

Seniors



Paige Burnham
"I got to play with all the senior girls and make new friends."



Allison Graveline
"We all got along until the game."



Krysta Zygowicz
"It was fun to see people out to support us and coming to watch."

Juniors



Alyssa Tampier
"I was hoping we were going to win."



Arissa Salas
"My feeling was excitement and ready to dominate."



Morgan Kilgore
"I was very excited and had an adrenaline rush."

1. Kyle Glover, 11, goes for the tackle against Crown Point.
2. Thespian Club members Ander Bauer, 12, and Alyssa Quade, 11, man the "Master Grill," a float that was built by the group for the parade.
- 3) Arminda Anguiano, 11, blocks Samantha Huckleb, 12, during the Powder Puff game.
- 4) Matt Urbanczyk, 12, watches from the sidelines.
- 5) Nathan Timmerman, 9, plays the light song before the start of the game.
- 6) Tony Rodriguez, 12, and Alex Bustos, 12, accept their crowns as Mr. Football and Homecoming Queen.
7. The senior class cheers as their float is pulled along Central Ave. Photos by Jillian Talley



"I'm glad I had to opportunity to dress like it in school."
Joshua Sullivan, Senior

"I'm a senior, I had to go all out!"
Charissa Leach, Senior

"Most kids just read my shirt and laughed, a few didn't even realize I had a gap till that day."
Savannah Gurley, Senior

"Well I forgot to condition it in the shower, so I had to keep the knots out."
Tony Rice, Junior



The **Best** of Spirit Week

"Pulling a Charlie Gordon"



Sarah Batey, 10



Nicholas Jordan, 10

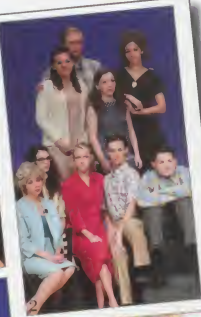


Mitch Rodriguez, 12

The multiple ages of Charlie

Play It Up

1. Courtney Mason and Mitch Rodriguez, both 12, perform a scene where their characters go on a date together. 2. Cast members pose together for the curtain call. 3. Marko Polovic, 12, and Erin Lichnerowicz, 10, dance during one of their scenes. 4. Jacob Cherry, 12, and Rodriguez talk as their characters meet for the first time in years. 5. The Gordon family performs a flashback scene. 6. Ariel Caraballo, 11, does Jordan Kwiatkowski's, 10, hair. 7. Mason does her makeup in the theatre's green room. Photos by Jillian Talley and Olivia



Most Memorable Lines

"Do you know how many of our Native American birdies are dying out?"
Rachel Stewart, 11 | Ann Welberg

"I can't stand him here! Look at what he's made of my life...but I won't let him do it to my child's life!"
Morgan Jackson, 12 Rose Gordon

Keeping it SERIOUS

Charlie Gordon, who was played by senior Mitch Rodriguez, is mentally handicapped and undergoes a surgery to become a genius. As the play progressed, his intelligence advanced and he found feelings for Alice Kinnian, his teacher, played by senior Courtney Mason. Throughout the play, Charlie had many flashbacks of his childhood from when he was eight years old and then 16 years old. Child Charlie was played by Sarah Batey and teenage Charlie was played by Nicholas Jordan. But as Charlie remembers his past, the intelligence slowly wore off and he became the same person he started as.

"I feel like I've been granted a huge privilege to participate. I've been invited but I've been able to participate. When there is an event, I'm always happy. But there are some things I can't do."

This being Rodriguez's first play, he felt an overwhelming amount of pressure playing the lead role. There were many complications with his role, but he overcame them.

Both leading roles said they would like to continue to perform in future theatrical productions.

"I p'tend a bottle o'ink spilleded all over a white card."
Darren Cole, 10 • Charlie Gordon

Dancing on the BOARDWALK

When the Student Council Winter Formal committee began planning the annual dance, they had some changes in mind.

One of the biggest and most obvious changes was a change in location, as the committee decided to hold the dance in the commons of Portage High School East.

Usually, the dance is held at Woodland Park, but, due to many restrictions, student body officers decided to change it up.

"We could not hang anything on the walls or glitter, everything had to be free standing. It gave everything a much warmer feeling," senior Ken Guerra said.

Even with a change of venue, students were still able to dance and have fun.

Students had a variety of favorite songs.

"I would have to say my favorite song was California Girls by Katy Perry," junior Rashaan Coleman said.

Some students enjoyed a little older music.

"Jump on It was probably my favorite," sophomore Lucas Sullivan said.

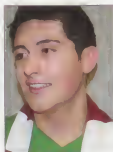
Story by Haley Carter

Olivia Forrester dances and enjoys her time with friends while at the Candyland-themed Winter Formal dance. Photo by Kirsten DeMass



an (UN)COMMON Dance!

Winter Formal planners Ken Guerra and Emily Evans explain why Student Council decided to move the annual dance from Woodland Park to the PHS Commons.



Ken Guerra, 12

"Years ago, they did the dance in the commons and had great attendance. Woodland Park also had many restrictions."

"The student officers chose the location before I was named chair. I would have fully supported it if I have been asked."

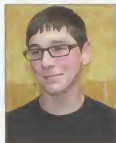


Emily Evans, 12

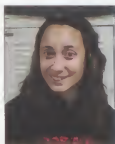
Dancing

the night away

What was your opinion on Winter Formal in the commons?



"I didn't think it was going to be as fun but I was surprised by the quality."
Lucas Sullivan, 10



"At first I thought it wasn't gonna be as fun, but it turned out to be really fun!"
Jena Alaniz, 11



"I thought it was going to be corny but it really wasn't that bad, it looked like a nice night."

Bust a Move

- 1 Senior Ken Guerra shows off his moves.
- 2 Senior Megan Cassidy dances with a friend.
- 3 Juniors Katie Peksensak and Brittany Adams enjoy the candy decorations.
- 4 Junior Rashaan Coleman and Senior Brienne Cipich laugh together during the dance.
- 5 A group of junior girls enjoy the DJ.
- 6 A group of students dance together.
- 7 Juniors Katie Peksensak, Evie Tsarnas and Peyton Hulse show off their moves. Photos by Kirsten Demass



1) Senior girls Allison Urycki, Rachel Santos, Jessica Vasquez, Carl Piro and Kayla Allen cheer on the varsity football team. 2) Zac Vardaman, 12, lays inside the human tanning bed. 3) Zach Simmons, 12, helps David Jeréla, 12, put on face paint. 4) Seniors Zac Vardaman and Shubh Multani make a human bicycle. 5) Brandon Gardenhire, 12, Patrick Derr, 11, and Chris Bruno, 12, do the tomahawk chop. 6) Zac Vardaman, 12, lead the student section at a volleyball game. 7) Patrick Derr, 11, yells for the Indians. Photos by Jillian Talley



"There was a football game against Chesterton. I was painted all red and went over to the student section and started cheering for PHS."

James Brasseur, Senior

The student section at the volleyball game make a human tanning bed featuring Zac Vardaman "tanning." Photo by Jillian Talley



organized CHAOS

Every year students have the opportunity to be a superfan for their Portage Indians. The superfans go to every sporting event to cheer on the team to a victory.

This year though, students decided to take a different path with it. Senior James Brasseur created a group on Facebook called "Superfans of Portage High School." On this group, athletes told when they had a game, what time it took place and where it was located. Brasseur and his fellow superfans decided on themes for the nights.

The main purpose of the Facebook group was to get more people involved. The students tried to go to away games and they planned to do it all year with different themes for each game.

"A bunch of students get together and we brainstorm ideas," junior Scott Burian said.

Students organized neon night, sports night, costume night and, of course, the usual red and white day.

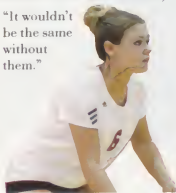
"We mostly cheer. At the volleyball games we usually think of other things to do at time out, like human bowling," Brasseur said.

These loyal fans went to support their fellow Indians and to cheer them on by communicating over Facebook, dressing up and doing skits during the games.

"No matter what, win or lose, it's always so much fun," Burian said. Story by Kirsten DeMass

Rachel Ortiz-Zablouil, 10

"It wouldn't be the same without them."



Haley Snyder, 12

"I think they're great. They make me more excited."



Kacie McGuire, 12

"Their support pumps us up!"



What the girls say

Childhood through your parents' eyes

Everyone grows up. Whether a student's age is 14 or 18, everyone has grown up in their own way, but everyone has now realized about their childhood. Even if it was a Disney movie or a song from Britney Spears, they have now realized it was inappropriate.

As a teenager, most are in shock when they watch or listen to something from their childhood. It is either now inappropriate or not the best song or movie to be watching or listening to. Today, though, most do not understand why their parents let them watch or listen to these things.

"I believe they allowed me to listen and watch these things because they knew what was all right for me and would not hurt me in any way," senior Cody Grzelac said.

Although some movies or songs were inappropriate, some students believe it was all right to watch or listen to these things because as a child they did not know any better.

"I think my parents were ok with it because they never sat down and listened to the words. Especially my music, there was a lot of stuff younger kid shouldn't be listening to," senior Derrick Cooper said.

Also, according to senior Courtney Mason, she thinks that it is probably how children learn early but are taught how to handle those situations expressed in the same time.

Story by Kristine DeMoss

“My parents bought me “Mean Girls” for Christmas in 4th grade and we watched it as a family Christmas morning!”

Senior Devan Doherty



"It was a miscommunication"

"My dad really loved kid rock and would play it in the car and at the age of 6 I knew all the words to the song 'Cowboy' and it has some pretty vulgar language in it."

Shelby Bryniarski, 12

"Ok, my mom actually loves the song 'It Wasn't Me' by Shaggy. Back in the day, we would sing it when I came on the radio! Now that I know what the lyrics mean, I feel kind of embarrassed."

Marko Pekovic, 12

"I would watch South Park! It was funny when my friends weren't allowed to watch it."

Zach Laskovich, 12

"The Simpsons...looking back now on the older episodes, I don't know why my mom thought it was remotely okay for a small child to watch it."

Karl Culp, 12

"My dad would let me listen to 'Baby Got Back' since 2nd grade by Sir Mix A Lot."

Cody Grzelak, 12

What Mom said...



"I couldn't believe my mom let me watch any scary movie that would air on TV. Also my mom said I couldn't watch 'Power Rangers,' but let me anyways." *Chris Helminiak, 12*



"My mom wouldn't let me watch 'Family Guy,' and then when I got older, I understood why." *Tess Moreland, 12*



"My mom used to go out and rent us scary movies from someplace called Blockbuster. She would rent like 'Jaws' and 'A Haunting' and 'Vampires.'" *Jacob Lauritzen, 12*

A Class Act

- 1) Luke Hayden, 10, performs with his band.
 - 2) Andrew Kemper, 12, shows his mad yo-yo skills.
 - 3) Valerie Gregorash, 12, plays the french horn.
 - 4) Chrissy Miller, 11, performs a song.
 - 5) Randy Eaton, 12, plays the piano.
 - 6) Shontiel Nunn, 11, sings a song.
 - 7) Jomari Miranda, 10, performs a song.
- Photos by Nick Jordan



What's Your Talent?



"I learned how to yo-yo on the interent, i practiced two months before the show."

Andrew Kemper, 12



"Singing in front of the audience helped me get over my fear of performing in front of people."

Ashley Showalterbaugh, 10

Senior Ashley Sass performs a song on her guitar for a duet in the annual Variety Show, sponsored by the Thespians Club. The event helped raise money for the spring musical. Photo by Nick Jordan



EXPRESS Yourself

From the mastery of the Yo-Yo to the perfection of vocal cords, the Variety Show allowed students to show off their best talents.

The variety show, of course, showcased a variety of talents. From dancing to hand signing, students showed the talents that make them stand out in a crowd.

While many students opted for performing a vocal solo or playing their instrument, some students chose to perform a more unique talent. For example, senior Andrew Kemper chose to do a routine with his Yo-Yo.

"I'm going to continue this as a hobby," Kemper said.

Junior Raven Tiller performed magic and card tricks as her talent.

The show featured a total of 28 routines.
Story by Haley Carter



Students perform a solo/piano routine for the Variety Show. Photo by Nick Jordan

Tonight's

Lineup.....

See the program for the night

10
Vocalists

2
Vocal Duets

2
Dance Solos

2
Dance Duets

2
Rap Artists

2
Bands

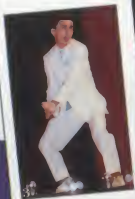
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Other Routines

Yo-yo Artist
Signing Artist
Snare Drum
Solo
Violin Duet
French Horn

Card/Magic
Tricks
Poetry Reading
Vocal Solo with
Lyrical Dance
Solo

Strut Your Stuff

1) Patrick Derr, 11, and Brianne Cipich, 12, walk down the runway. 2) Paul Gonzalez strikes a pose at the end of the runway. 3) Marko Pekovic, 12, drops it low. 4) Rashaan Coleman, 11, showing off his dance moves. 5) Hannah Glos, 11, and Shubhkarman Multani, 12, dance their way down the runway. 6) Caitlyn Bryd, 12, poses at the end of the runway. Photos by Kirsten DeMass



\$by the # Numbers

\$1,470

The amount of money
HOSA made from the event

2

The number of shops that
provided tuxedos

50

The number of girls who
participated

3

The number of shops that
provided dresses

\$250

The amount of monday
HOSA spent on the show

350

The number programs
HOSA printed and handed
out at the show

30

The number of boys who
participated

4

The number of salons that
did hair for the girls

Senior Alexis Johnson shows off her dance moves to the crowd at the Prom Fashion Show. After attendees watched the fashion show, they could visit a number of vendors in commons area. Photo by Nick Jordan



Dancing Away the NIGHT

Behind the make-up and the dresses, the ultimate purpose of the Prom Fashion Show had a deeper meaning.

Health Occupation Students of America put on the show to raise money for Automated External Defibrillators. AEDs are used to shock the heart in conditions of sudden cardiac arrest.

The money was through vendors, ticket sales and a bake sale.

Even though organizing the event brought its rewards, HOSA students said it was not easy.

"The most challenging task was having more than 75 people all working on the page to accomplish this goal," senior Dominique Turney said. "In the end, our class overcame this challenge and put on a great show."

Senior Andrea Tribble said that organizing the show was a tougher task than she expected.

"I didn't think it was going to be hard at first, but, as time went by, I realized all the things we had to set up and do to make this show a success."

By Nick Jordan

Photo by Nick Jordan

Strike a POSE

Wearing a dress and gliding down the runway simply was not enough. Check out these awesome moves displayed during the show.



Dylan Cairns, 12



Raven Blevins, 12



Rachel Stewart, 11
and Jacob Cherry, 12



Brittany Johnson, 11

Facebook *ANONYMOUS*

Facebook now has a new meaning. It is not just a website where people can keep in touch with old friends or post a status to let people know what is going on.

Facebook has become an addiction.

It is now a homepage for some, and others want to type in "Google" but instead type in "Facebook" by the force of habit.

Certain students will admit their addiction to Facebook. Some stalk, some post multiple statuses and others comment and like everything. Although Facebook is now an ongoing trend for adults and teenagers, senior Sarah Raber has taken it to the next level. She wrote her speech, for the speech team, based on her addiction to Facebook.

"I thought I could relate to everyone else that is obsessed with Facebook," Raber said.

Like most students, she enjoys talking to her friends and playing games on the site.

"I am obsessed with the games," Raber said.

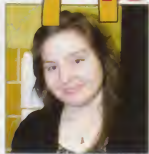
She finds many things to do on Facebook. On a good day, she goes onto the website once or twice a day, and on a bad day she goes on multiple times.

Story by Kirsten DeMass

Sarah Raber checks her Facebook to keep updated on her friends' lives and to play games. Photo by: Kirsten DeMass



Why McDonald's?



"They are amazing!"

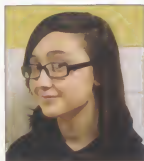
Courtney Groene, 11



"Everyday I want a french fry."

Nicollee Olis, 11

"I'm addicted to..."



Ashley Conrad

"I'm addicted to washing my hands."

"I'm addicted to clean bathrooms and food."

Tiarra Williams



David Almendarez

"I'm addicted to working out."

"My addictions is using ranch on absolutely everything."

Courtney Walker



Gotta have it

1) Cross country girls are addicted to running. 2) Rodney Grey, 12, is addicted to meeting new people. 3) Zach Statler, 12, is addicted to friendship. 4) Hunter Johnson, 12, is addicted to photo bombing. 5) Melissa Rivera, 12, is addicted to her phone. 6) Bill Cooper, 10, is addicted to spinning his rattle. 7) Alize Johnson, 11, is addicted to calf muscles. Photos by Steven Saylor and Jill Talley



Outstanding Young Man, senior Marko Pecovic is emotional after the announcement of his win. Photo by Kirsten DeMass



The BROTHERHOOD

Boys are lined up tallest to shortest, wearing suits and answering questions about themselves. This is Outstanding Young Man, where the senior boys show off how much talent they have and their outstanding personality in front of judges and an audience.

The senior boys danced in their boxers to the "Safety Dance" by Men Without Hats and shared a connection that could not be broken. They made the most of the experience and most would have regretted not doing it.

"We definitely had plenty more contestants this year compared to past years, and, of course, we had the most outstanding young men yet," senior Arthur Anguiano said.

Many of the boys placed and won a scholarship to help them pay for the college of their choice. They also learned more about one another and about themselves that will help them get through the college years.

"The best thing I learned was not being afraid to do something you normally wouldn't do. You only have four years, so use them up," senior T.J. Jackson said.

Although many senior boys competed, Marko Pecovic won the title of Outstanding Young Man. The judges scored every boys' performances and found that Pecovic was the most outstanding. Seniors Cor Braner, Ken Guerra, Othie Freeny and Max Zmija placed first, second, third and fourth as runner-ups.

"The hardest part for me, personally, was speaking right after Marko, Mr. Universe over there had an unparalleled stage presence," senior Aaron Lopez said.

Many of the boys found it a pleasure to make new friends and make better bonds with old friends. According to Jackson, it was like a brotherhood.

"Next year's senior guys must do OYM. I know I would have regretted not doing it. Every moment of it was a blast," senior Zach Laskovich said.

Story by Kirsten DeMass

Meet your FINALISTS

First



I wasn't paying attention and I was thinking about who won and agreed with the judges. Then, I heard my girlfriend scream and the spotlight hit me and I realized I won.
Cor Braner, 12

Second



My heart was beating so hard. I didn't realize my name was being called until Shub nudges me. My grin was from ear to ear.
Ken Guerra, 12

Third



It was a fun experience and I was happy to be there. I was shocked and it was a happy moment, but I wasn't really looking to win.
Othie Freeny, 12

Fourth



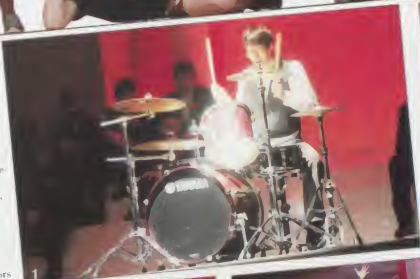
"When I got called to be a finalist, I literally felt my heart start beating 20 times faster than normal and I was like, 'Oh man this is awesome. I'm so glad I got something.'"
Max Zmija, 12

They *can* dance if they want to



Happy Ties

1) Zach Laskovich, 12, plays the drums during the talent portion of the night. 2) Kacie McGuire, 12, gives Ken Guerna, 12, his finalist prize. 3) Aaron Lopez, 12, dances during the physical segment. 4) Joe Johnson, 12, spins his rifle. 5) Zac Vardaman, 12, addresses the crowd. 6) Seniors Marko Peckovic and Ashley Sass perform "Forever Young" by Rod Stewart. 7) Seniors Tony Rodriguez and Cor Brainer dancing. Photos by Kirsten DeMass and Jillian Talley



Show Your BEST Dance Move



Taking It All

- 1) Freshman girls enjoying themselves at the dance party.
 - 2) Chris Santos and Julian Garcia
 - 3) Kyle Gregor and Phil Nafus
 - 4) Mike McPherson dancing in the dance circle.
 - 5) Jessenia Tribble and Diamond Caberera dance the salsa together.
 - 6) Danny Mills dances to Michael Jackson.
 - 7) Kiley Jonas and Katie Taarnas posing for the camera.
- Photos by Kirsten DeMass



Angelo Feuvor, 9, shows off his moves in the middle of the dance circle during the attendance dance party.

Photo by Kirsten DeMass



Fresh KICKS

Waking up every morning is not always the easiest thing, but this year the difficult paid off especially well for the freshman class.

The administration started a new event for every student to participate in. Each grade was enrolled in a competition based on attendance. The winning class that had the highest percentage of people who attended school received a prize at the end of the grading period.

During the first grading period, the freshman students rounded off with a 96.6 percent in the last week, giving them the victory of the prize.

"The freshmen class is more devoting in going to school. It's a new experience for everyone," freshman Erin Davenport said.

The freshmen were rewarded with a dance party in the field house.

A DJ was provided with a screen on which to play music videos and music so the students could enjoy the party. As some students danced, others played games like Hacky Sack, Ninja and Tag.

"I liked that they had new music," freshman Hannah Lichnerowicz said. The freshmen students were able to miss their last two classes to attend the dance party. They were called down over the intercom to be dismissed from class during ninth mod.

"It was cool to get out of our last two classes," freshman Erin Davenport said.

Photo by Kirsten DeMass

What do you come to school?



"I have to."
Sabrina Pappas, 9



"I want to go to college."
Hunter Martiko, 9

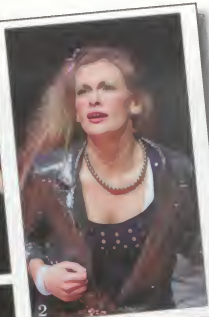
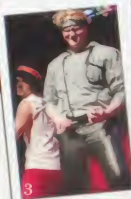


"To get a good education."
Chelsea Kelley, 9

Hairbrush Songs

- 10 Emily Evans and her group rocking out.
- 2) Kacie McGuire playing her air guitar.
- 3) Jake Cherry jamming with his air instrument.
- 4) A group playing their music.
- 5) A guy rocking out.
- 6) Noah Volk raging on his air guitar.
- 7) Luke Hayden singing.

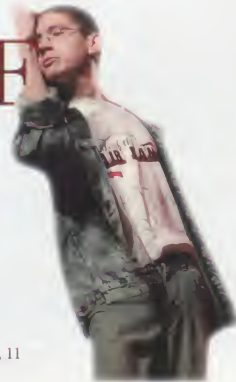
Photos by Jillian Talley



Strutt your STUFF



Olivia Forrester, 11



Aidan Fletcher, 10



TJ Jackson, 12

In the Limelight



"We tossed round the idea doing Air Band again this year, people wanted Battle of the bands but I wanted something out of the ordinary."
Jake Cherry, 12



"We brought it back because it is a great fundraiser and everyone enjoyed themselves."
Emily Evans, 11



Senior Chance Boney, acting as the TV Man from LMF40, plays the air drums during Air Band. Photo by Jillian Talley

Back in ACTION

Bringing Air Band back was an event for all students. It was a fundraiser for Thespians and Pow Wow.

"The fundraiser was awesome because we thespians do not get very much funding," senior Jake Cherry said.

Event co-chair and junior Emily Evans enjoyed organizing the event.

"It was a great fundraiser for Pow Wow and theater," Evans said.

Cherry and Evans were the main organizers of the event.

They were in it, but it was a bit but we did the best we could do," Cherry said.

The planning may not have taken long but it took a few people to pull everything together.

"Jake and Rachel did most of the school planning and I did public relations and t-shirts," Evans said.

"We had a small committee that pulled everything together but we did it."

Air Band was an event of the past, but it came back for a good cause.

Thespians and Pow Wow do a lot and the fundraiser did a lot for them.

Story by Haley Carter

Senior Superlatives

Have you ever wanted to compliment someone, but didn't know what to say or how to say it? We did the hard work for you, and all you had to do was vote! Here are the winners of this year's Senior Superlatives

“Most likely to...”



***be an
olympian***

Sierra King and Alvin Best



***win a Grammy
or Ocsar***

Morgan Jackson and Jacob Cherry



***marry their
high school
sweetheart***

Bre Beal and Joey Little



***star in their
own reality
show***

Nyla Owens and Michael Wilson



***be U.S.
President***

Shubakarmen Multani



***cure a
disease***

Stephanie Monastyrski
and Zac Lundy

“Most...”

school spirit

Megan Cassidy
and Zac Vardaman



“likes” on a Facebook status

Nikki Cloyd
and James Brasseur



changed since Freshman year

Alexis McKeel, Alexis Reddington,
Courtney Walker, Danielle Black,
Danielle Melton, Jen Lynch, Kaleena
Bretzinger, Kayla Mischke and Dylan
Cairns



friendliest

Katie Engel and Ian Burke



“Best...”

smile

Haley Sansone
and Marko Pecovic



celebrity look-a-like

Kirsten DeMass (Demi
Lovato) and Scott Terpstra
(Adam Sandler)



sense of humor

Aby Brock and Karl Culp



dressed

Tyler Currin
and Othie Freency





Junior Nicolee Olis helps Libby and Sal do their work during study time. Photo by Nick Jordan



Spanish teacher Jennifer Wilson works with students during a project for the Spanish Club. Photo by Brooklynn Sellers



1) Freshman Jordan Clelland and junior Gage Cuthbert, supporting fellow ROTC members, march in this year's Homecoming parade. 2) Students work on projects during an Art Club meeting. 3) Sophomore Lucas Sullivan helps during Recycling Club by emptying the recycling bins.

How CREATIVE can you get?

Students could never say there was not a lot of things to do, because Portage High School has a large variety of clubs. Each club our school participates in unqie ethnic backgrounds, competitions ect.

However, some students at the school try to propose and develop new clubs to attract more students to join and participate in more activities after school. Two students in particular decided to invent their own club this year. These students came upon the idea of making Youth Alive Club.

"You have to get people who want the same thing together," freshman Kammy Kozol said."

Fellow freshman Aubrey Frye-Anderson helped Kozol fill out the necessary forms and bring in members.

"We has to go through a lot of process, because of the fact that we don't know a lot of teachers that are christians," Frye- Anderson said.

Kozol and Frye-Anderson believe this club will definitely be worth the effort.

"I feel the students in Portage High School that are Christians should all come together, and I think this would help," Frye-Anderson said.

The student in charge of this club was Junior Jordin Billings. Story by Dana Haywood

Say It Together

Move to Beat

1) Xavier Gilliam focuses on playing Alto Saxophone. 2) Christian Cadin, 10 plays his flute. 3) Jayme Jones, 11, concentrates on her clarinet music. 4) Kyle Cesare, 10, practices his tenor saxophone during class. 5) David Thomas, 10, practices his trumpet. Photos by Steven Saylor



Your FAVORITE CONCERT



"My favorite performance was when we went to the elementary school and performed for the kids."

Whitney White, 10



"The winter winds concert was my favorite because I got to perform the drum set."

Micheal Almada, 9

Sophomore Whitney White practices her tuba during class. White is one of the many musicians that make up the band department. Photo by Steven Saylor



What's Your BAND

PHS features a variety of different band classes including Jazz Band, Marching band and the different levels of concert band. Many students find their passion and calling through their instruments, which positively effects all other aspects in their lives.

"I joined band because of my mother, my sister and my other family memebers," said Freshmen Holly Bussler, "my mom didn't make me do this but I felt like I should keep the tradition going."

Some members have a specific type of band they prefer. Some students loved band to such an extreme level that they enrolled in more than one class.

Freshmen Alexis Goodaker.

Concert Band is one of the more relaxed type of musical groups. Band as a whole performed at various concerts and state and local levels, including the Solo and Ensemble competition.

The band section of the music department continues to thrive and grow as a viable aspect Portage can boast about.

Story by Brook Sellers

3 Facts You Didn't Know ■ BAND

1. For males: Black pants and a white long-sleeve oxford shirt and tie.
2. For females: a solid black outfit. If it is a skirt, the hem must come BELOW the knee when you are sitting.
3. Underclassmen perform at graduation. This is their final exam.

Your FAVORITE CONCERT



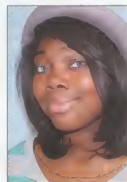
"I like the end of the year concert because I am finally a senior and get to dress up and be recognized for being an orchestra dork for more than 6 years!"

Ashley Sass, 12



"I love Zeta Fest because it has the most energy. We have much more freedom in choosing the music and instruments we play."

Noel White, 11



"My favorite concert was the Halloween Concert because the songs were interesting and we got to work with Mr. Eriksen."

Nayla Davis, 10

From A to C

1) Cellists Amanda Pouge, 10, Hunter Johnson, 12, and Sarah West, 10, practice their instruments during class. 2) Ashley Sass, 12, smiles while practicing her cello. 3) Haley Hodges, 11, Kaley Liang, 11, rehearse with the orchestra. 4) Mickey Steinburg, 11, follows along with fellow violists during class. 5) Randy Eaton, 12, and Claire Tokash, 12, answer a question during class. 6) Paul Bylen, 11, practices his instrument. 7) Wesley Engel, 12, leads the bass section during rehearsal. Photos by Nick Jordan



Senior Michaeline Spencer and sophomore Jacqueline Volk play off of one another during a school rehearsal. Both musicians are also leading concert masters. Photo by Nick Jordan



Fine tuned in the fine ARTS

Passion and love for the musical arts radiate everyday throughout the halls of the school. Yet, some young, aspiring musicians rosin their bows and tune their violins not only in class, but during all hours of the day. These students put in the extra hours with different orchestras, chamber groups and solo lessons and performances to achieve absolute musical harmony and test their dedication to the fine arts.

"It's surreal to have all those people looking up to you at the same moment," said senior Michaeline Spencer. "I handle it one step at a time and learn as I go."

Spencer is not the only concert master who strives to perform above average in musical aspects. Sophomore Jacqueline Volk plays six different instruments, concentrating on violin, she is involved in three different musical groups outside of school and teaches private lessons in her spare time.

"I love music because it expresses emotions and feelings in a way that words have never been able to," said Volk.

Spencer and Volk make up but many inspiring leaders of the symphony.

"Ever since I was small I loved music and it inspired me to learn as many instruments as I can," said sophomore Angelica Nunez.

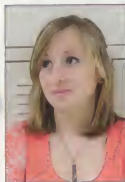
As in any team, athletic or artistic, no ensemble would be able to function and perform without the skilled and dedicated musicians who perform and practice exceedingly well.

"I like the wide variety of music we play," senior Marko Pekovic said, "from classical, to rock to holiday, it is quite diverse."

All of the hard work and dedication of the exceptionally gifted young musicians that comprise the orchestra played strong and successful as the year progressed smoothly and melodiously.

Story by Nick Jordan

Music to my EARS



"My favorite song was *Dashing Away* by John Rutter, which I played for Solo and Ensemble. It is very upbeat and a folktale piece as well."

Megan Cassidy, 12



"I really enjoyed *Posthorn* by Mozart because of all of the articulation and the general needed skill."

Lorissa Byrley, 10

GOLD MEMBERS

Choir students exceed both audience and judges expectations

Everyday the music hallway turned students attitudes around while placing them in the mood to dance and sing from the joyful radiating noise. Students who decided to take Choir were given the chance to express themselves through soulful songs to sorrow melodies.

"I like to sing, so its a great opprotunity to show my skills off," said senior Tabatha Tanses.

Aaron Riegle, choir director, led this group to many accomplishments such as winning gold medals at the majority of the organizational contest they attended in April. These competitions were mostly compared to ISSMA.

Not only did they compete state-wide, but they also had local concerts during the entire school year except,exceeding the expectations of the crowd everytime. Singers wore dressed in black pants, white shirts, and finished off with a stylish robe.

"It unites a group of people that can get good products when you work hard," said freshmen Erin Davenport.

The classes brimmed with an average of 25 girls and boys. Students were encouraged to pursue advanced classes upon exceptional primming and toning of their vocal skills. More classes such as advanced choraliers and girls glee were available.

Story by Breecana McCollum

Junior Eric Koneeny gets into the mode of music and sings with the rest of his Intermediate Concert Chorus class. Photo by Collin Czilli



Perfect "Dirat-on!" Pitch

What was your favorite song?

Raina Bellow, 11

"I like them all!"
Brian Field, 11

In All Keys

1. Whitney Thomas, 9, and Mady Willman, 9, sing along with the crowd. 2. Jessica Marsh, 10, practices her "oo's and ah's" along with Monika Nobles, 9. 3. Kealey Willman, 9, Hunter Martinko, 9, and Carry Keller, 10, prepare to sing their favorite song. 4. President Greg Birkmeyer, 11, leads members in a new song. 5. The group practices their songs for the upcoming performance. 6. Members listen to directions as they get ready to sing. 7. Morgan Salaam, 9, sings with a smile on her face while Lexy Jeldosma, 9, sings along to the song. Photos by Collin Cailli



Your CONCERT FAVORITE



Seth Felling, 11

"Fall!"



Haley
Saasone, 12

"Holiday!"



Mariah
Cormier, 12

"Spring!"

Zachary Laskovich, 12, plays his snare drum during the fight song during a football game earlier this season. The marching band was present at every home football game throughout their entire season. Photo by Jillian Talley

Silver LINING

Marching band exceeds crowds' expectations and wins silver medals

Throughout the years, Marching Band was often a club fairly overlooked. This year, however, they have went beyond not only the student body, but their own expectations. They participated in numerous events to show their new and previous skills.

"I really like music, so it was a place where I could excel. You have to be fully concentrated and strive for perfection so you can better yourself as a musician," drumline captain Zack Laskovich said.

Led by Marching Band director Michael DePasquale, long practices and booked events never came easy for this club. They usually participated in all Porter County parades and home sporting events.

One event that differed from the others was the Indiana State School Music Association District Event. They went there with open eyes and the hopes of taking home gold medals. This event was a time for them to show what they have worked on throughout the year and a chance to learn things that could be useful for future music careers.

"One last time is never one last time," junior Danielle Petro said.

Although Marching Band recieved a silver medal in ISSMA, the feeling of accomplishment was still present. Most returning members look forward to next years season. Story by Breeana McCollum



What is the
HARDEST
part
about Marching Band?



"Keeping your energy up while you're trying to march in time to your charts."

Jordan Kwiatkowski
10

Words to denote Marching Band



“Boastful,
committed,
fun.”

Da'ny Wilkinson, 12

“Rewarding,
family-oriented,
hardworking”

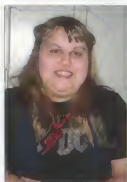
Danielle Petro, 12

From A to G

1 Kim Coffey, 11, and Martina Lopez, 9, march during the homecoming parade. 2) Lydia Gilliam, 12, holds her saxophone while marching during the homecoming parade. 3) Marching Band as a whole marches together during the parade. 4) Tracy Bermingham, 10, keeps count in her head during a march. 5) Three marching band trumpeters sound off during a football game. 6) Senior Chelsea Exl leads the band during a football game. 7) Sophomore Ryan Cummings plays the bass drum during the fight song at a football game. Photos by Jillian Talley



What was your most.. DISTINGUISHED ..memory



"When we learned new songs and made jokes to go along with them."

Melissa Reyna, 9



"When we finally were able to play the song without looking at the sheet."

Alexis Goodaker, 11

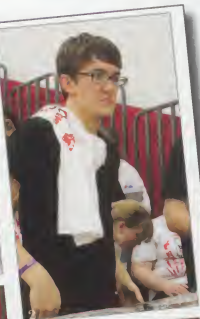


"I had to fill in for our first trumpet players. Since they carry all the equipment with them I had to search for other things to use."

Nathan Timmerman, 9

Pep it Up!

1. Meaira Bennett, 10, Tracy Birmingham, 10, laugh after a song.
 2. Zach Laskovich, 12 plays the snare drums during a performance.
 3. Xavier Colon, 9 shares laughs with another member before a song.
 4. Jaid Windland, 12 plays the flute fluently during the song.
 5. Danielle Petro, 11 tries to get the crowd pepped up.
 6. Regina Lopez, 11 concentrates on the clarinet.
 7. A drummer pays attention to the next set of directions.
- Photos by Nick Jordan



Sophomore Jordan Kwiatkowski plays her trumpet during a home basketball game. All members of Pep Band were involved in an additional in-school type band class. Photo by Nick Jordan



say it *with* PEP!

Party starters and musical geniuses. These are just a few phrases among many that described Pep Band. At every basketball home game there was a section that played students favorite hit songs with the hopes of getting the crowds pumped up the game ahead of them.

Anyone could have volunteered for this activity. Most likely students who participated in Pep Band usually participated in Marching Band as well because they were similar and came before the Marching Band season.

Every song you heard this band played was found in a binder. This binder contained everything from the notes to the songs they were going to play, to the agenda for the upcoming game.

Members of Pep Band also took this as a time to reunite with other musical classes and have fun outside of the normal educational songs played for concerts.

"Pep Band is a musical participation that lifts everyones spirits, including my own," sophomore Megan Churry said.

If students had a great interest in music and was looking musical opprotunities Pep Band was the place for you. It helps get a badge for a lettermans jacket.

Marching Band and Pep Band are the most fun I had in all of the years.
Marching Band was a fun experience and a great way to spend my time.
Story by Brandon M. Jones

What was
your
FAVORITE
song?



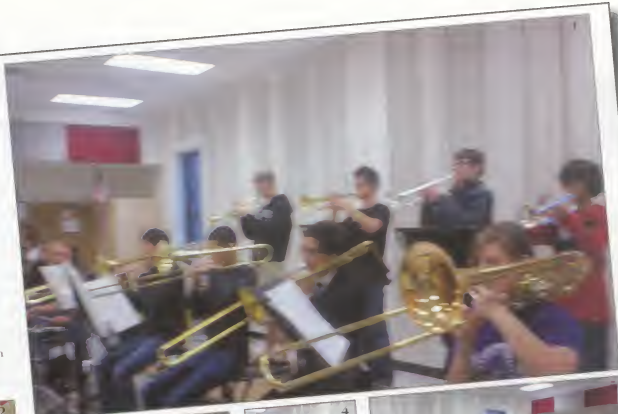
“Land of
1,000
Dances”

William Wilkinson, 12

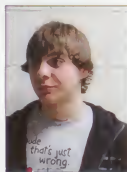
All in Rhythm

- 1) Trombone players playing a special tune while in the jazz band room.
- 2) Sophomore Matt plays the piano during class.
- 3) Trombone players playing a rocking tune.
- 4) The flute players getting ready to practice for Jazz band.
- 5) A group photo of all of the Jazz band playing their instruments.

Photos by Brooklyn Sellers

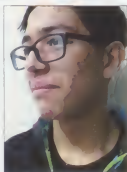


What was your FAVORITE SONG



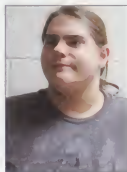
"All Blues is my favorite jazz song because I like the tune of it."

Matt Bliss, 10



"All Blues is my favorite Jazz Band song because, I love Jazz so much."

Kalani Waddell, 11



"Autumn Leaves is interesting because the words mean something."

JR Williams, 12



"Blues in the closet is my favorite because I get to do a solo by myself."

Aaron Nelson, 11

What was your *Memorable* performance?



"November 22, 2011 was my favorite performance because there were a lot of people there and it was very fun."
Cristina Torres, 9



Music is SOUL

Jazz Band was a band that was based on many sounds and what came from the soul. This club in particular had really improved from the previous years. Originally Jazz Band was only one class mod. However they received the opportunity to add on another class period.

They practiced every day of the week during 9th and 10th mod as well as hosted concerts during class time and on every eighth Saturday of the month.

When we go to perform before school and after school, it's a great feeling. When we practice, we are always listening to each other and making sure we are all on the same page. When you walk into the room you would hear music, and the notes that were being played you would see the students so happy and were ready to play.

It was not a day when you would walk pass that Jazz band room when you wouldn't hear those beautiful notes being played. They're directors, all they're notes were on key, and they were very hardworking. This was just not your average Jazz band, however this was an Ensemble Jazz band also.

Story by Brook Sellers

VP



a sisterly BOND



“Crystal is a strong leader that does whatever she can for anyone. We’re very close, we share all of our secrets with each other.”

Tiffany Woloszyn, 11

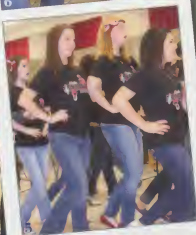
“I am proud to call her my sister because she is so optimistic and always sees the good in people. We share a sisterly bond that is unlike anything in the world.”

Crystal Woloszyn, 12

President

Perfect Pitch

1) Female choraliers dance during the Secret Santa Social. 2) Jacob Cherry, 12, and Rachel Stewart, 11, celebrate after a performance. 3) Megan Keleman, 12, and Jordan Harrop-Haywood, 10, dance together. 4) Keeley Ferguson, 12, and Allison Graveline, 12, practice during class together. 5) Female choraliers members practice during mod 7/8. 6) Lauryn Alya sings during practice. 7) Luke Hayden rehearses his solo during a Choraliers practice. Photos by Kirsten Demass and Nick Jordan



Sophomore Marha Esparza marches with her fellow MCJROTC members. Esparza is also an active member of Drill Team. Photo by Bree McCollum

Everyday Heroes

MCJROTC gave a helping hand to the foundation for Rebuilding Together

The sounds of stomping feet and starting rifles had MCJROTC's name all over it. Not only was this a class you could take for credits but a club made for bonding and discipline. Students took over a hallway to not only teach a class but to start their future careers in the Army, Navy, Air Force or Marine Corps.

The main goal for this club was to get their mindsets right for their future career. The teachers would put the students through hard-fought competitions that tested their strength, loyalty, and dedication. However, MCJROTC was not just about rifles and laws of discipline. To settle down from a long day they would host weekly movie nights and hang out after school.

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"It was a chance to go deeper into our community. Sort of like an up close and personal view of things," sophomore Jackie Marvel said.

The group as a whole also donated funds to help out Ronny Wilkins, a local elementary school student who was diagnosed with Lukemia. Story by Breeana McCollum



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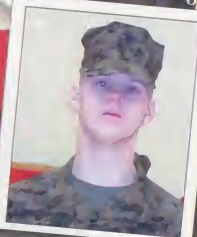
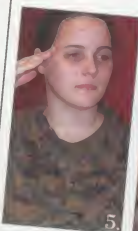


"The commodity we build always makes us stronger as a whole. It's all about being a family and having each other's backs whenever we need to."

Jon Hudson,
11

Attention!

1) Jenn Leary, 11, and Kala Manning, 12 practice their routine. 2) Anthony Bumbales, 11, tosses his rifle in the air. 3) Marta Esparza, 10, salutes her guard. 4) Robert Manning, 11, stands at attention. 5) Naomi Whitten, 12, stands at attention as well. 6) Shane Brayton, 11, holds the MCJTROTG flag. Photos by Bree McCollum

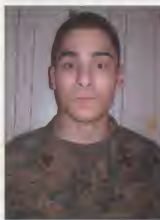


What does it MEAN to YOU?



"ROTC is beyond a club. It's a family, we hangout all day everyday."

Jackie Marvel,
10



"This program is like a family. You deal with drama and happy moments. We're like one big team."

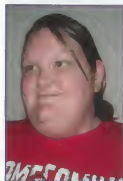
Cheyenne Crowfoot,
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Why we LOVE our Vocationals



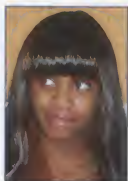
"I love it because I like working with children. It gives me a chance to help them learn things."

Cinthia Rodriguez, 11



"I love it because it gets me ready for my future in the health field."

Robin Fraley, 12



"It's a fun way to learn and get out of class early."

Desiree Key, 11



"I can leave here with the proper education for becoming a nurse."

Jada Gilliam, 12

Expand your career

- 1) Students participate during a class discussion.
- 2) Seniors Leonard White and Michelle Comerford let loose at the Medical Terminology class.
- 3) Junior Xavier Rogers plays a game during HOSA.
- 4) Senior Krysta Zygowicz participates exercising during Health Occupations class.
- 5) Senior Maddie Solis participates in her class' daily workout.
- 6) Junior Corey Ross participates during his class Modern Technology.
- 7) Senior Haley Bradford prepares for her film project. Photos by Jill Talley and Bree McCollum



Junior Cole Ozbolt works on a project during his Modern Technology
Photo by Bree McCollum



Goal ORIENTED

STARTING with Health Occupations all the way to Video Production/Media Studies, juniors and seniors were given the opportunity to take classes that relate to their future career goal. Not only do they earn college credits, but some students also get to leave the school's campus for half of the day.

"When I grow up, my dream job will link back to my previous class," junior Ricki Cuevas said.

Vocational classes gave students the chance to meet new people. It required great responsibility and the ability to multitask.

The Health Occupations class hosted a blood drive this year in order to help the local Red Cross. Students from the class and other programs at the Porter County Career Center all went to the Red Cross' truck in November to donate blood.

The Health Occupations class was not the only program that made strides this year. The Video class was busy producing their show "Through the Lens" and working with Valparaiso Community Schools to film for their football games and the high school's new Jumbotron.

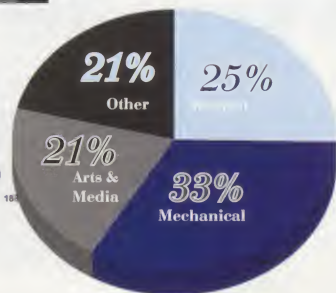
"I love how active the Video class can get," junior Amber Radtke said.

Story by Breeana McCollum

by the NUMBERS

Many students partake in vocationals, but do you know how many do exactly? The graph shows how the numbers really

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Career Goals

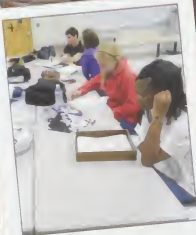
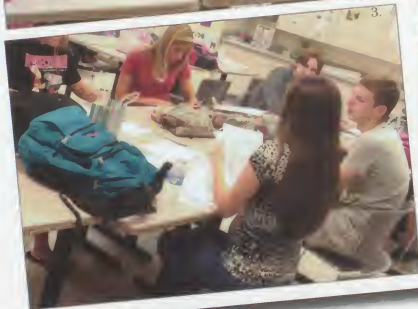
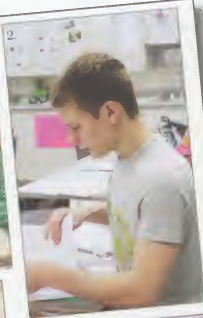
1) Students get ready to learn the next step into the medical field.

2) Junior Alex Schrier searches through his papers to find his missing homework.

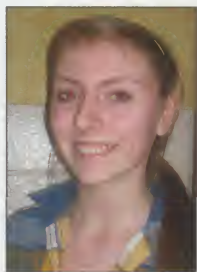
3) A group of students discuss the upcoming topics in class.

4) Students from the Dental part of HOSA study for their future final test.

Photos by Steven Saylor



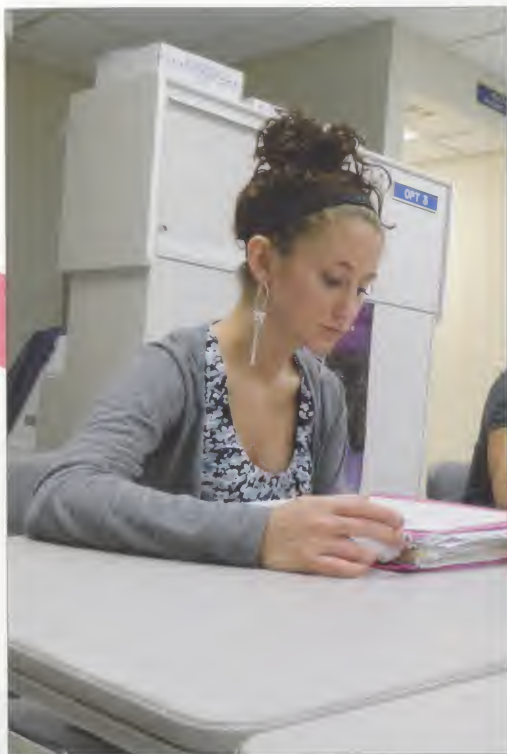
What's the most REWARDING part?



"Simply making the world better by doing the little things we do."

Dominique Turney, 12
Medical

Senior Vanessa Rivera studies through her papers to get prepared for her upcoming test. Photo by Steven Saylor



HEALTH PARTNERS

Health Occupations Students of America, also known as HOSA, was more than just an organization that medical and dental students could join. It has become a nationwide organization that had the main goal of helping children realize how important health care is and promote career opportunities to whoever was interested. Vocational teachers Lynn Wilson and Rhonda Doane took the responsibility of spreading the word of HOSA and teaching students about all the health opportunities.

"The best part of being in HOSA is gaining all of the knowledge of the health occupations and getting hands on experience and making a lot of new friends," senior Samantha Geiselman said.

The inside goal of HOSA was just to help people around them. As a team they have promoted awareness about anything dealing with health scares, and helping their community by doing tons of service acts for the humane society.

Story by Breeana McCollum

What's your most
MEMORABLE
moment?



"When we taught the LRE kids about dental hygiene."

Angel Sanchez,
12
Dental

What's the most BENEFICIAL part of being a Peer Tutor?



"It makes me feel important and I'm doing a good thing for the kids"
Jeff Griggs, 12



"I feel like I'm leading the kids in the right direction."
Alejandra Argon, 10



"The reason why I became a peer tutor is because I like to help people."
Scott Burian, 11

Helping Hands

1) Sophomore Monika Kajamakoska encourages her student while studying sentence structure. 2) Sophomore Armando Brignomi looks upon a student with a smile. 3) Sophomore Mustafa Tate relaxes on the computer. 4) Nicolle Olis shares a laugh with her student while tutoring. 5) Senior Jeff Griggs helps his student with a puzzle. 6) Senior Andrew Kemper exemplifies sentence structure with his student. 7) Sophomore Emily Albee happily coaches her students through a lesson. Photos by Nick Jordan



Sophomore Nicolette Fisher giggles along side her peer, Mackenzie, while braiding her hair during a study break. Fisher helps Mackenzie with her English, Math and other subjects everyday during tenth mod. Photo by Nick Jordan



helping HAND

Peer Tutoring became a very inspiring thing to do because students got to help other students and do different types of activities and help them learn.

"I like to take them to their classes and I also like to help them with homework," sophomore Shelby Vuko said.

When students would go in the classes they would see the LRE kids so happy and eager to learn. The tutors loved to interact and reassure them that they were no different than anyone else. Whenever given the chance the students got a chance to take the LRE kids out for a night of fun. Whether it was bowling, to the mall, or just hanging out at each others house, helpers took it as a learning experience.

The sign-up list had become more difficult to get on, so most students took this opportunity as a learning experience. This class was not just a time where students could bond with other students, it was a chance for students to realize that everyone is equal no matter if they are disabled or not.

Students in this class enjoyed the time they had to bond with their peers.

Story by Brooklynn Sellers

What makes your
peer tutor
Special?

"I love this because she gives me teen magazines."

Libby, 9

Spoken Smiles

1) Emily Evans, 11, and Eyanina Tsarnas, 11, smile for a picture. 2) Lorianne Sheets, 11, accepts her FLHS medal. 3) Simona Trajeski, 11, is congratulated by Linda Peda. 4) Jennifer Leary, 11, accepts her certificate. 5) Taylor Searcy, 11, poses with her teacher, Peda. 6) Alex Schreier, 11, reacts after his inauguration. 7) Elizabeth Timm receives her medal. Photos by Collin Czilli



"I like knowing that I can travel the world confident I will be able to have back and fourth conversations."

Lydia Gilliam, 12
French III

*Dire
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en français*

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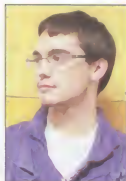
*Dicen
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“Knowing both Spanish and English is like having two lives. You really need to practice it to be able to use it so that you don't use Spanglish.”

Maria Murillo, 12
Spanish

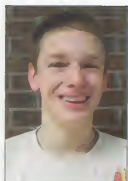


Jumping through Hoops



"I appreciated being accepted because so many people take foreign language classes as a blow off but I take mine seriously."

*Joshua Sullivan, 12
Spanish AP*



"I think German is pretty simply, probably because I lived there for three months when I was about eight years old."

*Alex Seherier, 11
German III*



Junior Rachel Stewart smiles during the inauguration ceremony in mid-March. Stewart is enrolled in Spanish. Photo by Collin Czilli

kind of a **BIG** deal

On March 20, 2012, a near record inducing quantity of bi-, tri- and multilingual speakers were accepting into the prestigious Foreign Language Honor Society. A program regarded for it's cultural excellence and academic distinction.

"It was a great honor to be accepted and I'm looking forward to the induction," said sponsor Brandon Vickery said.

ur! ¡Hola!

members and enrollment.

"I was excited because I think it shows growth in student achievement in the foreign language program," sponsor Andrea Flynn said. "We've worked hard to adjust and refine our curriculum maps every year."

FLHS not only boosts college and career applications, but also serves as a shinning reminder of the hard work all members had to put in to be considered and later accepted into the organization. All members receive a medal to wear at graduation as well as a certificate during inauguration.

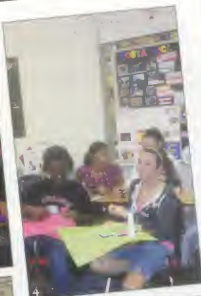
"I was very proud of myself because I've worked so hard since my freshman year," junior Emily Evans said.

To be accepted into FLHS, students must take at least three years of consecutive French, German, Latin or Spanish. Students are required to achieve three semesters of A's excluding their first year.

Story by Nick Jordan

Spanish Crafts

- 1) Students work on projects during Spanish Club.
- 2) Spanish Club students celebrate Day of the Dead by creating decorations.
- 3) Not all meetings are serious, as students talk while working.
- 4) Students laugh together as they make posters for the homecoming parade.
- 5) A student makes cutout for the homecoming parade posters. Photos by Legend Staff



Touch of ESPAÑOL flare



"I think it's unique and fun to speak in Spanish."

Morgan Cooper,
10



"I really liked Spanish class but, I wanted to learn more about the culture."

Alexis Reddington,
12

Members of Spanish Club participate during a meeting after school to make signs for the upcoming meetings. Photo by Jill Talley



“I believe
it’s
FIESTA
time?”

Spanish Club was not all about learning how to speak the language. It was also about learning the various cultures and seeing what else they have to offer.

The members of this club had different events they attend monthly. Some meetings involved watching different Spanish movies and eating Spanish dishes to enjoy while planning for the

year.

Some of the members passed Spanish Club even if they didn’t know much about the purpose of the club or even the language itself.

Members spent much of their time this year making different sculptures that are related to the Spanish culture. The Spanish Club would also go on different field trips if there were special events that were going on. The members of this club always stayed very active and kept the club going.

Story by Brooklynn Sellers

Alexis
Ledesma
a.k.a
el
PRESIDENTE



“Spanish club offers knowledge about the culture and it’s very fun, we aren’t serious at all! The more people the better!”

Alexis Ledesma, 9

Meet and Greet

1) Members of French Club gather around to discuss further events that will be taking place.

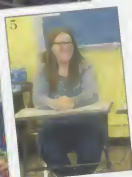
2) Sophomore China Venson and junior Carol Crayton

participate during a French Club meeting.

3) Members of French Club gather together for a group picture.

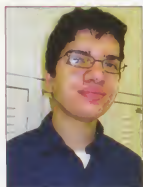
4) Senior Sarah Raber presents her proposal during French Club.

5) Sophomore Emily Stanley sits patiently, listening to senior French Club president Zach Spurlock. Photos by Brooklyn Sellers and Bree McCollum



Comment DIT-ON..

Your favorite French phrase?



"Je déteste les seposts!"
(I hate snakes!)

Xavier Todd, 10



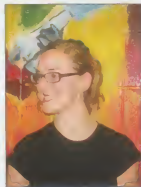
"Etre un bourreau des coeurs!"
(To be a ladykiller!)

Alexis Reddington, 12



"Ta tête est plein de frommage!"
(Your head is full of cheese!)

Mikael Terry, 11



"Je suis allé sur la lune avec ma mère et le chien!"
(I went to the moon with my mom and dog!)

Clarissa Tokash, 11

One on ONE

“Avec le Président” Zak Spurlock



“I love French Club, because it brings people together and makes people friends who might not have been. Plus, we do a lot of awesome community service projects!”

Zak Spurlock, 12
Class President

busy busy & très BUSY

Trekking through Chicago’s yearly display of Christmas trees from around the world, enjoying time spent with Boys and Girls Club children at the County Line Apple Orchard and indulging in a delicious fondue celebration are only a few of the fun activities French Club has created and involved itself in this year.

This year, members participated in all of their annual exertions along with several newly added ones, like becoming recently involved with the Portage Youth Council’s activities, thanks to the connections of club president, Zak Spurlock.

“I like how we go on field trips together and all the people involved in the club,” sophomore China Venson said.

Not only did French Club participate in numerous different activities, but many were quite unique to the club, such as their annual holiday time bell ringing for the Salvation Army and trips to the Art Institute of Chicago to gaze upon Monet’s masterpieces.

“We do things other clubs can’t,” said sophomore Carolyn Walker.

Whether *parlez vous Français* or you cannot tell the difference between a crêpe or a pancake, this year’s French club was the place to be if you wanted to make new friends and have a great time.

Story by Nick Jordan



French club members walk down Central Avenue for the annual Homecoming Parade. The French club participates in the parade every year. Photo provided by Kaitlyn Talley

Reasons to Learn German

- 1 One out of four Americans have *German* heritage.
- 2 *Germany* is the world leader of export.
- 3 One in ten books published in the world are in *German*.
- 4 Over 120 million people worldwide speak *German* as their native language.



Students concentrate while crafting a graham cracker gingerbread house after school during a German Club meeting. Although attendance was slightly down this year, totaling at around 30 students, the group still involved itself in activities ranging from inter-language bowling competitions to charity bell ringing. Photo by Nick Jordan

More than just Beatles Brats

German Club had a lot to accomplish this past year. Students would meet up every Thursday to see what they had to do to make their club more known.

Students did numerous entertaining German activities. The students made Ginger Bread houses and also had a Christmas gift exchange party. German club loved to stay active.

Every year the German Club had a student exchange project. From April 16, 2011 until May 17, 2011 29 students and two teachers came from Germany to experience life in America. They are home summer from June 13, 2011 until June 1, 2011 to students and two teachers returned to the house and school in Germany.

After the German exchange students visited, they saw how the PHS German Club ran their group and everything they had planned. The members of German Club were so excited to be a part of this club and loved participating in their various activities.

Story by Bree McCollum

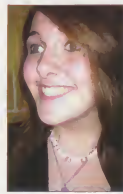
Sweet Tooth

- 1) Samantha Cisarik, 9, puts icing on the ruspakes during German Club.
- 2) James Lloyd, 10, builds his ginger bread house during German Club.
- 3) Taylor Ailes, 10, participates with fellow students during German Club to build a ginger bread house.
- 4) Darrius Coleman, 10, focus on his ginger bread house making sure the roof is even.
- 5) Caitlyn Stanly, 11, and Kaitlin Pilipowicz, 11, associate with each other building their ginger bread houses.
- 6) Crystal Bennett, 11, and Kassandra Czarik, 11, build together making their delicious ginger bread houses.
- 7) Zachary Hulse, 9, works separately building his ginger bread house. Photos by Nick Jordan



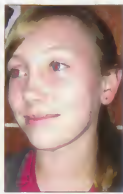
"I love the way we speak it is unique."

Ana Espinoz, 10



"German club is so fun and it opened up my German Vocabulary."

Savannah Yuhasz, 10



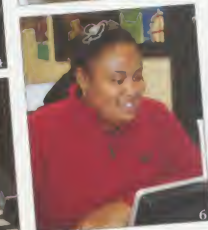
"In German club we interact with different people from different cultures."

Hulliann Fauokner, 11

What makes German Club so *Deutsch*?

Pica Days

1) Haylee Carter, 11, laughs with Dylan Taoris, 10, during class. 2) Dana Haywood, 12, edits a page. 3) Nyla Owens, 12, and Tammy Peeler, 10, examine pictures. 4) Adviser Melissa Deavers-Lowie helps Kaylee Nugent, 10, with a page before deadline. 5) Mariah Wright, 10, Nick Jordan, 10, and Kirsten DeMass, 12, help one another with each other's spreads. 6) Brook Sellers, 10, places photos on a spread. 7) Breanna McCollum, 12, smiles with relief after finishing an article.



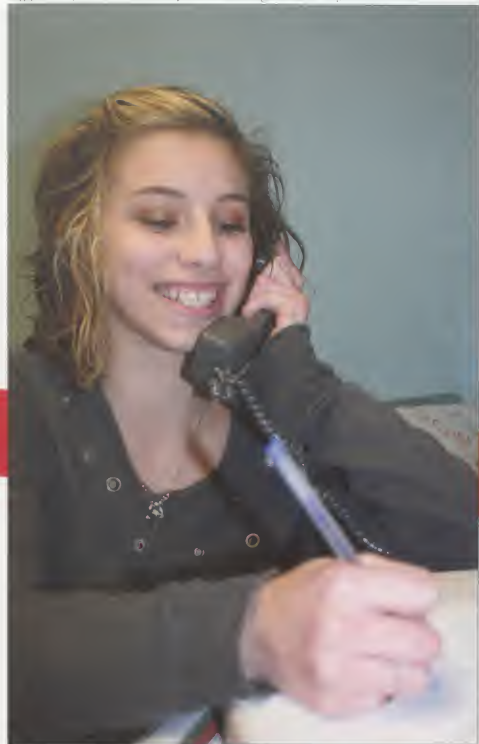
Letter from the Editor

How do you deal with the stress of deadlines?

“I talk to each section and the staff members in that section and ask if they need any help. Whether their answer is yes or no, I still try my best to motivate them to finish deadlines on time. Everyone knows on staff that if we finish deadline on time we will celebrate with a movie and pizza. If this does not help, I tend to vent to our adviser, the one and only, Melissa Deavers-Lowie.”



Senior Kirsten DeMass smiles while relaying information to a staff member who was sick and at home during a deadline. Although DeMass participated on the Pow Wow staff for two years, this was her first time on *Legend*. Photo by Nick Jordan



everything is better in COLOR

Color, one simple concept that begins with the three primary colors, red, blue and yellow. According to expert references via the ever popular dictionary, color is defined as the quality of an object or substance with respect to light reflected by the object. Yet, color does much more to a publication than simply add an extra skill to prone for the staff. Color gave the 2012 *Legend* life, excitement and emotion, not always a simple task to accomplish.

"The challenges of color are trying to get the colors used to match the aspects of the entire page with unity and cohesion. Color brings personality to the book," senior Kirsten DeMass said.

Mastering the art of the color wheel was not the only new talent students had to quickly acquire; students had a much shorter time period to work with, three months fewer, specifically. The staff of 15 had to interview, write, design and photograph in a much more condensed time period in order to produce the first edition of the *Legend* that was delivered before the last day of school.

"Yearbook is no joke; working on shorter deadlines just pushed me more, because I knew if I didn't get my pages done, my section would break bad," senior Breanna McLaughlin said.

Another potential challenge that never occurred to them was the layout and design. "I never expected to be a writer, then a designer, too!"

"Working with a first-year staff member was a little scary, but fun. I have the ability to use the skills I learned from J-1 years ago to pursue on the new staff. No matter what, *Legend* is always the best!" senior Dana Haywood, *Legend* editor-in-chief said.

From the very first months of the school year, the well-bonded staff knew that the book they were creating was not only a particularly unique edition, but one to be especially proud of. The *Legend* staff was much more than a group of students compiling a hardcover book brimming with text, photos and graphics. The group of students was a family; complete with hilarious, supportive brothers, understanding, loving sisters and responsible, mentoring parents. A concept many students can relate to. Story by Nick Jordan

How *e* DID IT

240 pages, 72 fewer days to deliver the very book in your hands. This is how we did it...

October 31

First deadline, 25 pages due, including the fall homecoming and opener.

November 30

16 pages completed, five singularly from the sports sections.

December 21

While most students were building igloos and snowmen on their first night off for winter break, the yearbook staff polished and submitted 17 of their spreads.

January 30

Celebrating the New Year in full "yard" style, the staff sends off 12 spreads in less than four weeks time.

February 27

A whooping 48 spreads were created in only 28 days time. This results in an average of 2 spreads a day.

March 26

The final deadline for the staff included 17 spreads and one very late night.

Editor-in-chief, Rachel Santos, 12, captures a moment during a fall football game for the Pow Wow. During her three years on staff, Santos has sharpened her writing, photography, design and leadership skills.

picture PERFECT

Every two Fridays during SSR, teachers and students would take time to read stories about school and the community surrounding them. The Pow Wow staff did their best to inform readers with opinions, things about the school, and common teenage issues. Most students might have read the Pow Wow to see the scores of recent games or who made Meet the Indian that issue.

This was not just a school newspaper. It was offered as a class taught by publications adviser Melissa Deavers-Lowie. Those who did not have interest in reading could tune into Pow Wow Radio every Tuesday through Thursday, where listeners could hear everything that they would have read in the Pow Wow newspaper.

Students at Franklin High School in Franklin, Indiana, who are members of the Pow Wow staff, are proud to be part of a publication that is not only a source of information, but also a source of entertainment.

Every year the Pow Wow staff and some members of the Legend staff had the great opportunity to participate in many competitions to test their journalist abilities. One place they visited was Franklin College. The staff had a fairly successful outcome. Senior Steven Saylor placed second place for photography and received a Harvey Award. Senior Sara Bottari won second place for news writing on-site. Senior and Indiana High School Press Association Student Officer Rachel Santos received an Honorable Mention in Editorial Writing for the Harvey Award.

Students worked very hard to receive such honors and continues to mentor classmates who did not get the chance to go to a competition or win anything. Story by Breeana McCollum



The Dividing line



"Without the news section, it wouldn't be a newspaper! News stories are multi-dimensional; as reporters we must interview several sources in order to piece together all sides of the story."
Ariel Motto, 12



"Features section is the best because it provides entertainment and is appealing to the eyes; it features students that don't usually get featured. I love not being serious, I provide entertainment, not news!"
Kirsten DeMass, 12



"Sports are king here at FHS. Many students flip right to the sports section so it's important that we provide them with quality coverage. We also have a weekly radio show, live broadcasts, ISC Magazine and my reports on INN."
Brandon Vickrey, 11, and David Jercha, 12



"We give the Pow Wow the visuals it needs to be the successful paper that it is. We are all people who have a passion for photography, and it shows through every issue that we print."
Steven Saylor, 12

2nd Time Around

Editor in Chief since her junior year, Rachel Santos has, with a passion for journalism and broadcasting, led her skilled staff through the steps and changes to become an award winning newspaper. Starting as an eager freshman in Beginning Journalism, Santos truly loves everything about the Pow Wow, a publication and staff she would not trade for any other.

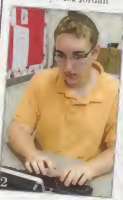
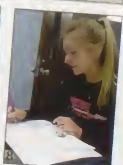
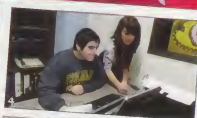
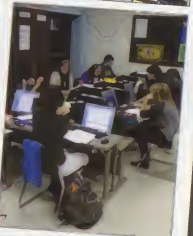
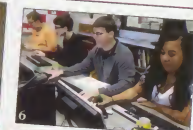
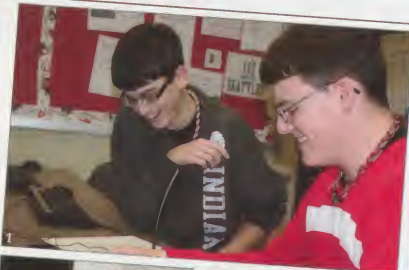


“Much like the first year, I was overly excited and amped to get to work. Finding out that I would continue to hold the position of Editor-in-Chief meant that I had a lot of work to do over the summer to prepare for an awesome senior year. The Pow Wow has defined me here, and it is what I am known for. I constantly find myself defending the Pow Wow because students here are not at all aware of the amazing publication their school has. The kids on my staff work so hard and I am so proud of their accomplishments, I cannot wait to see what they do next year!”

RACHEL SANTOS
Editor-in-chief

Pow Wow Monday

1) Eric Mesureh, 11, and Brandon Vickery, 11, laugh during a lighter moment of Indian Sports Corner. 2) Collin Galli, 11, updates the website PHSNewsOnline.com. 3) News writers Sara Bottari, 12, and Shelby Bryniarski, 12, work on their articles. 4) Photographers Steven Saylor, 12, and Olivia Forrester, 11, choose photos for an issue. 5) News editor Ariel Motto, 12, works on an article. 6) Staff members work during a Monday deadline night. 7) Staff members work at a pod of computers. 8) Kacie McGuire, 12, works on interview questions. Photos by Nick Jordan



Spoken Goals

- 1) Juniors Mikenla Terry and Sydney Yingst prepare to give their speech in front of the group.
 - 2) Luke Hayden focus on their next speech project together.
 - 3) Freshmen Melissa Reyna writes down her list of things to speak about.
 - 4) Sophomore Darien Lindsey reads off a script for her next competition.
 - 5) Freshmen Matt Bliss writes down his creative thoughts to prepare for his next competition.
- Photos taken by Steven Saylor and Bree McCollum



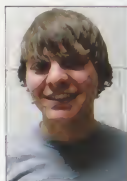
Competitive
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Expressions
"Underdogs"

Free-Spirited

What is
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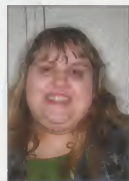
"I was able to see first hand and learn about things about things that kids were better than me at."

Matt Bliss, 10



"The LaPorte meet with the team. We experienced a lot."

Max Harsha, 9



"First day we were welcoming broadcastinf. I kept messing up my words."

Melissa Reyna, 9

Sophomore Luke Hayden puts his ideas on from his mind on paper. Hayden participates in most subjects for Speech Team. Photo by Steven Saylor



Future PUBLIC Speakers

Speech Team members face and prevails over competitors Culver Academy

Around the middle of the year Speech Team had a call-out meeting where students were allowed to come into a classroom and hear about the club and everything it had to offer. Members described this club as a great creative outlet. It was a place where students could speak their minds through forceful words and strong support systems.

Although this club was not one of the most known anyone was welcome. All you needed to bring was a pen and your creative mind. Students would come into a class on the second floor with thoughts and stress and translate that into something good like poems, short stories, and spoken word speeches. What made Speech Team different than any other team or sport was the fact that you did not have to be perfect to be in the club. It was a place where you could go whenever you just wanted to vent or go on a lyrical rant.

"We're like a family. We deal with the good and bad of each other." Captain Sidney Yingst said.

Speech Team competed in a tournament at Culver Academy. Captain Yingst said they got nervous to win against Culver Academy, but they were determined to win. The team believed this year would be one to remember because losing was not an option. As hoped for Speech Team beat Culver Academy and the "underdogs" came out on top. Story by Breeana McCollum

What was your FAVORITE Moment?

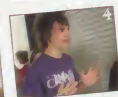
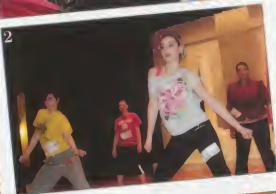


"My favorite part of Speech team was being able to find what I was best at. Everybody tries to find their niche, Speech team helped me find mine."

Mikeala Terry, 11

Center Stage

1) Aidan Fletcher, 10, excites the crowd during the Homecoming Parade. 2) Claire Tokash, 11, leads a dance rehearsal during The Wedding Singer. 3) Tiffany Woloszyn, 11, practices before an audition. 4) Luke Hayden, 10, chats with fellow members. 5) Todd Mocabee, 11, and Meaira Bennett, 10, rehearse. 6) Kaitlen Volk, 11, sings with Emily Stanley. 7) Bree Rutz, 12, helps control the line of members during auditions. Photos by Nick Jordan and Jillian Talley



15 Minutes *of Fame* DISTRESS

What was your most awkward moment with Thespians?



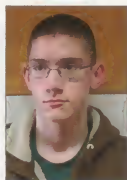
"I was dressed in a Santa suit for the Christmas party and I spilled Dr. Pepper all over my beard!"

Jacob Cherry,
12



"During Flowers for Algernon, I walked onto the stage and before I was even done with my first line, the battery in my mic just completely fell out and onto the stage!"

Briana Ammeson,
12



"When I left my costume for the Homecoming Parade in the wrong place and had to walk through the Green Room wearing only my boxers to get it!"

Aidan Fletcher,
10

Senior Valerie Gregorash practices a song for the *Wedding Singer* before her audition. Gregorash is also the club president. Photo by Nick Jordan



LIFE is a stage

Hours of rehearsals that stretched late into the night, weeks into months of preparations for numerous productions and hundreds of calls and visits to local businesses for funding has proved nothing but exceptionally viable and beneficial to the organization that rules the stage, Thespians.

Long hours always seemed to speed by quickly as members continuously attempted and succeeded in the productions of not only the professionally acclaimed fall play, "Flower's for Algernon, and the upbeat spring musical of "The Wedding Singer," but also Outstanding Young Man, Junior Miss, the Variety Show and the second annual Haunted House. This year, the Haunted House was open to the general public for the first time.

"Tech week is insane, said junior Claire Tokash. "It's so much work, we're there until 9 or 10 some nights, but it's all worth it in the end."

On the surface, Thespians is usually defined as an organization of performing students.

There's mountains of stress that go along with it and I've really had to toughen up because of it," junior Alyssa Quade said.

Day in and day out, meeting to meeting, Thespians not only proved an effective cultivating ground for aspiring actors, directors and writers, but also as a safe and positive setting to meet friends and become a loving, somewhat unorthodox family.

"To me, Thespians is like a big family," said senior Tyler Franklin. "We spend countless hours together to make a great show, and we always end up making it turn out wonderful."

Presidents Nikki Ruiz and Valerie Gregorash, both seniors, led the club of approximately plus 60 members. Story by Nick Jordan

A Day ON BROADWAY

What was your favorite performance field trip?

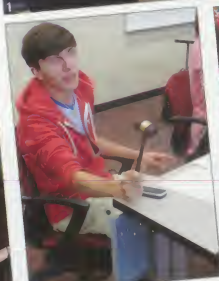


"My favorite field trip was to Purdue University for theatre day! It was a great experience and everyone who went had a blast!"

Rachel Stewart, 11

Socials & Gatherings

1. English teacher Arlene Neill Taylor Cable, 12, and Chelsey McInerney, 12, socialize during secret pal. 2. Haley Sansone, 12, Ashley Bozani, 12, and Marko Pekovic, 12, are caught off guard during a dance. 3. Kaithyn Geary, 12, shows off her best dance moves at Winter Formal. 4. Pekovic gets ready to slam his gavel as he leads a Student Council meeting. 5. Nicole Thomas, 11, marches in the homecoming parade. 6. Members from student council march together during this year's homecoming parade. 7. Pekovic, Morgan Jackson, 12, Ashley Bozani, 12, and Ken Guerra, 12, debate during a meeting for student council. Photos by Legend Staff



Leaders of the Pack

Your Student Body Officers



Morgan Jackson, 12
President

Ashley Bozani, 12
Vice President

Ken Guerra, 12
Secretary

Ken Guerra, 12
Treasurer

Stefanie Nanney, 12
Historian

Senior Morgan Jackson dances with senior Danielle Black during the Winter Formal. Jackson is the Vice President of Student Council.
Photo by Kirsten DeMass

Call to ORDER

Most of the school sits back and enjoys events like Homecoming and Winter Formal. They rarely, if ever, see or experience all of the hard work done by the people behind the scenes: Student Council.

Every Friday, Student Council would come together and discuss what was going on with the school and the community. Discussion often centered around ways to improve their surroundings.

They did not just sit at a table for hours. Many of the events held at the school were produced by Student Council because their main job was to make sure that everything went smoothly and well organized. They hosted events such as Homecoming, school dances, and a variety of other fund-raising and philanthropic events.

"Time management was the hardest part of Student Council. Everything had to be done the right way," said senior Morgan Jackson.

Students are often asked to help out in their community. One of the ways they do this is by taking part in service projects. These projects can range from cleaning up the school grounds to helping the elderly, painting murals in neighbors yards and singing songs to people around the neighborhood in neighborhoods.

Many of the members will agree that success was extremely important. However, not everything has come easy for this group. They are filled with members, so there was always something to keep track of.

"The hardest part was making sure everyone stayed on the same page," senior Sarah Raber said.

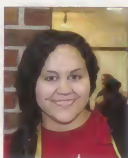
Story by Bre McCollum



Tough Times

What was the hardest part of being in Student Council?

Putting together the events and trying to please everyone.
Morgan Jackson 12



Making hard decisions!
Alysia Soto 12

Lighting the Way

1) Marie Hallman, 12, and Lily Lin, 12, light the ceremonial candles during induction night. 2) Jillian Talley, 12, speaks during the ceremony. 3) Haley Sansone, 12, and Ashley Bonzani, 12, light candles during the ceremony. 4) Zac Lundy, 12, and Kacie McGuire, 12, prepare to display their candles and listen to a speaker during the ceremony. 5) Brandon Vickrey, 11, and Nikola Nacovski, 12, light their symbolic candles. 6) Ali Johnson smiles while initiation. 7) Trinitie Oetman lightens the mood during the ceremony. Photos by Jillian Talley and provided by Maverick Miller



Day 2 What's your **SECRET** for managing **LIFE?** DAY



"I do my homework with a friend, it's a lot simpler that way."

Eric Anderson,
11



"I gave up sleeping when I was a freshmen."

Emily Evans,
11



"I give up spending time with friends, basically, I have no life."

Alex Schrier,
11

Senior Chelsea Exl inducts junior Jahnathan Davis into National Honor Society on the prestigious ceremonial night. Both were selected by a group of faculty council members based on their academic excellence, community involvement and extracurricular activity. Photo by Jillian Talley



“It’s Good
to be the
KING”



“Sentimental AGAIN”

As always, National Honor Society beamed as a beacon of academic excellence, extracurricular activity, care for the community and social radiance. Yet, NHS aspires and is much more than simply an abundance of perfect grade point averages and star varsity athletes.

“The stereotypical image of National Honor Society is a group of students who are only involved for college, but we really benefit the community much more than people realize,” senior Casey McGuire said.

New events, planned entirely by the students with help from advisers Jessica Munden and Cathy Nye, consisted of a five kilometer race benefiting Alzheimer’s, the Linus Project where members created and donated blankets to local hospital’s pediatric wards. Anti-bullying campaigns (hosted at Willowcreek and Fegely Middle Schools) and Hugs for Teachers.

The self defense course, which took place before spring break, was inspired by an awakening the students felt given the many recent tragedies broadcasted throughout the media, such as the murder of former student Amanda Bach.

“I feel that is is very important for our adolescent to be more aware of their surroundings and learn how to defend themselves. I hope that this helps the community as a whole and brings us together when it comes to safety,” senior Rachel Santos said.

Far from other council elected groups, NHS was anything but a popularity contest. Judges of the applications focused heavily on the concept of a well rounded student; this resulted in a diverse conclusion of selectees. Even though the organization began slightly later than usual, the aggregation of promising young individuals transgressed throughout the year as nothing short of prestigious goodness.

Story by Nick Jordan

“I love that I am able to come up with all the events that really benefit other people. I get to lead the meetings; my word is gold.”

Zac Lundy, 12

Swirls & Twirls

1) Taylor Lindsey, 9, waits for a performance to commence. 2) Tiffany Wolozyn, 11, and Rachel Stewart, 11, pose during a routine. 3) Crystal Wolozyn leads during a practice. 4) Winterguard members cheer during a routine. 5) Stefanie Monastyrski, 12, spins her baton during performance. 6) Lindsey practices after school. Photos by Melissa Deavers-Lowie and Nick Jordan

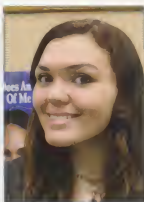


say WHAT?



"I joined Winterguard because I used to be a baton flipper and I loved it."

Tiffany Wolozyn, 11



"It gives me a chance to express myself in a way that is different from any other activity I'm involved in. its so fun and, when done right, is beautiful to watch."

Briana Ammeson, 11

life SUPPORT



"It was a great way to get involved in a different area of music and be apart of a large group of two completely different activities that come together to make one great product."

Jordan Kwiatkowski, 10



Junior Rachel Stewart executes the splits during a performance during half time at a basketball game. Stewart is involved in a large variety of other dance and theatre related activities, such as ballet. Photo by: Nick Jordan

Hard Workers

The members of winterguard practiced every day for long hours to be the best they could be. They spent a lot of time working on their routines off.

The group benefited from the fact that they had a large number of members that were previous dancers or baton spinner. Their prior experience agreed with the groups vibrant enthusiasm.

"We only have had one performance this year and we loved it," junior Stephanie Monastyrski said, "I feel although we had alot to compete for and we made it. Monastyrski was speaking of the Carmen performance.

Winterguard had alot of new members last year. Most of the members were freshman and they were a little nervous about joining winterguard since it was different from colorguard. They made it work because they joined winterguard.

"I was in colorguard my eighth gradde year and, I loved it," said freshmen Taylor Lindsey, "when I heard that they had winterguard at the high school I said that I had to go audition." Lindsey later was accepted into the organization with pride and excitement.

Winter guard was much more than a mass of twirling flags and complex routines. Winter gaurd performed as a cohesive collection of students who not only care for the club, but for each other.

Story by Brook Sellers

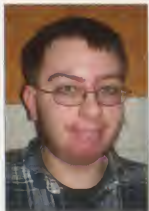
Academic Excellence

1/ Bradley Hill, 10, Ken Guerra, 12, and Amanda Pouge, 10, compete together.
2/ Taylor Cable, 11, studies for the math team. 3/ Robert Manning, 11, listens to an instructor during a meeting.
4/ Chris Perry, 10, studies for math during a meeting. 5/ Jeff McElfresh, 11, participates during a math team meeting. Photos by Nick Jordan and Collin Czilli.



How do you react to test nerves?

Pens & Needles



"I just deal with them. They're better to me than speeches."

*James Podgorski 11
Social Studies*



"Right before the test I'm nervous but if I prepare before I'll be okay because I've been taught the stuff. People just have to pass the feeling of being nervous."

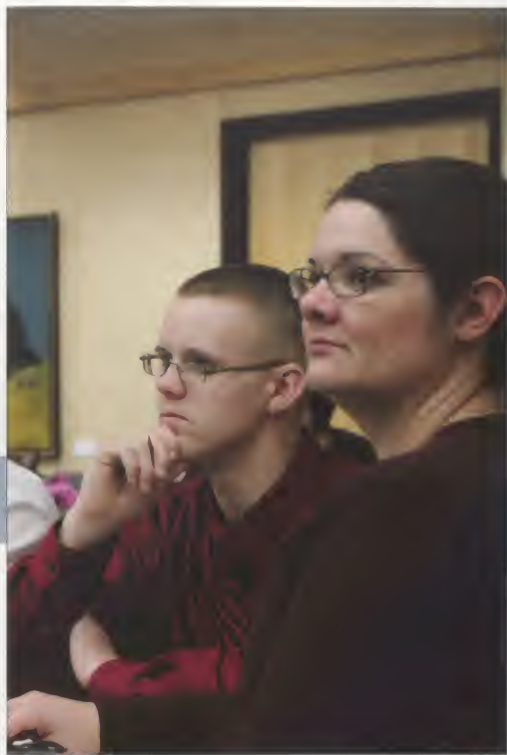
*Amanda Pogue 10
Science*



"It all depends on how hard on hard the test will be. I get myself in the mood to study."

*Austin Hamang Jr. 12
Music*

Junior Robert Manning questions a response during a meeting.
Photo by Collin Czilli



covering the BASES

Academic Superbowl was not your typical club. It was filled with various competitions in a lot of different subjects. These subjects included Mathematics, Science, History, and Music Appreciation. Although these subjects were different they were the same in a lot of different ways.

However, each academic branch served the same purpose. It was to spread knowledge throughout each other and win in whichever competition they were entered in. They competed in many competitions and have ended their season successfully with a handful of wins.

"You learn some interesting things about music that you wouldn't know about if you weren't in the club," Junior Jahn Davis.

Students get really hard questions and have thirty seconds to answer them. To be in Academic Superbowl you have to be very attentive, have great focus, and study your materials a lot. Members competed in a lot of competitions including one at Purdue North Central around the end of February.

The music section of Academic Superbowl also took class time to brush up on questions and learn newer things about different composers and musicians. Every time they would meet after practice they would do a few rounds as if they were actually at a competition just to prepare themselves.

Next year Academic Superbowl has the hopes of going to more competitions and learning more things related to their subjects. Story by Brooklynn Sellers

Harder than it LOOKS

Think you have what it takes to be an
Academic Super bowl champ?



- 1 Who was the first pilot to fly at supersonic speed?
- 2 What Anglo-Saxon playwright wrote "Man and Superman?"
- 3 What is the superlative form of the adjective "good?"
- 4 Freud divided the mind into the id, the ego and what other element?

1 | Chuck Yeager 2 | George Bernard Shaw 3 | Best 4 | Supergo

“Your TURN”

Some members play the Ball Exercise game during one of their meetings.
Photos provided by Philanthropy Boot Camp last year.



Members take a quick picture to represent the unity they have as a group.
Photos provided by Philanthropy Boot Camp last year.



Your most Memorable EVENT?



“Volunteering at shelter, and hospitals.”

Tess Moreland,
12



“When we always had guest speakers come in and teach the group more about giving back.”

Jada Gilliam,
12



“When we helped out Gabriel’s Horn.”

Trisha
Bennett, 12

WHY? join



"Philanthropy is a good group to join because it brings people together to serve one common goal which is helping others."

Crystal Bennett, 11



Senior Tess Moreland believes in both the value of hardwork and its positive payoff. Moreland led Philanthropy Boot Camp through the majority of the year, and wishes it the best in the future. Photo by Nick Jordan

FUTURE *Humanitarians*

Through the trials of a new advisor, Philanthropy Boot Camp holds true to its core values

Typically, when people hear about the club Philanthropy Boot Camp, they may think of things like the Army, or boot camp drills. However, this club was the complete opposite. It was a group of young students who were determined to make a difference. Every Wednesday about ten got together to discuss local issues and to decide the next place they wanted to volunteer at.

The members of this club had a main goal of teaching kids how to see the good in others and to be helpful. They volunteered at places like Gabriel's Home, women and children shelters, Jacobs Ladder, and local hospitals. They learn valuable lessons about how other people have problems and nothing is ever perfect.

"It's all about not being selfish with what you have and understanding that there are in fact adults, teens, and children who have less than us," senior Tess Moreland said.

Not only do they volunteer many of places, they also try to host fundraisers to support the places they visit. All the profits this club receives goes to a non-profit organization fundraiser, because they want to teach the valuable lesson of sharing.

Towards the end of the year they made a field trip to Aylesworth Elementary School to read the book *Giving Tree* by Shel Silverstein. It is a book that teaches younger kids about how to change the world and the true meaning of philanthropy.

Story by Breeana McCollum

A Magnetic Attraction

What brought you to join Youth Alive?



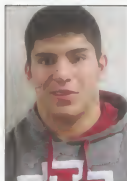
"I was looking forward to having a Christian club at school and I was looking forward to meeting fellow Christians."

Kameron Sorenson, 10



"I heard about Youth Alive from my church and was really excited to hear it was coming to our school. Youth alive is all about reaching out, and I wanted to be apart of it."

Alexis McKee, 12



"I thought it'd be really cool and I'm a Christian type guy so me and my friends thought we'd check it out."

Tony Rodriguez, 12

Moral Compass

1) Megan Ambler, 11, works with Brazilian exchange student Camilla Santos. 2) Alyssa Bagolin, 11, laughs with Kelsey Canterbury, 11. 3) Aubry Frye-Anderson, 10, works on a Youth Alive poster. 4) Kelsey Benson, 10, contributes to Youth Alive artwork. 5) Deveon Hegwood, converses with a fellow member. 6) Zac Vardaman, 12, colors an advertisement for Youth Alive. Photos by Nick Iodan



Junior Jayme Jones reacts with laughter during a meeting. Jones is both a devout Christian and Youth Alive member. Photo by Nick Jordan



feeling Youth ALIVE

Overriding on a strong range of emotions, the diverse collection of students who made up the new Youth Alive Christian club never left a meeting without feeling fulfilled, stronger and at peace with one another and their Lord.

"It's just God moving in peoples lives, when God touches your life it's definitely going to tug at your heart," junior, club leader Jordin Billings said.

Sharing one another's testimonies, an event where they believed God interfered with their being through a powerful message, was a common form of expression for members to connect and reach a state of harmony.

New to the stage of clubs and organizations as of the 2011-2012 school year, Youth Alive drew a large crowd of followers at first, losing only few as the group continued to grow and learn together. On average, 15 to 25 students were in regular attendance. The club was led by Billings and sophomore Aubrey Frye Anderson.

Although members of the organization sprouted from many different social cliques, after meeting and spending time together, the invisible social boundaries that seem to occasionally define high school, disappeared, and friendships were built, but during passing periods, the club members would often find themselves talking.

"We're all Christians, people from all over, and we're all going to go to church," Jordin said senior Zac Yarbrough. "It's a great feeling, a sense."

Whether led by their Lord, or simply a group of friendly, accepting students, members of Youth Alive not only created friendships and a circle of trust, but a chain of reactions that possibly made Portage High School at least a slightly kinder place to learn and develop. Story by Nick Jordan

The Brains Behind the OPERATION



"I love Youth Alive because it's a place where you can escape from the real world and just come talk about God, your struggles and grow stronger with God. I believe Youth Alive will start a revival to our school."

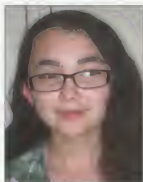
Aubrey Frye Anderson, 10

Breaking Boundaries

What sets Academic Quiz Bowl apart from every other club?



"It's very diverse and a lot of fun. The subjects we studied varied."
Abby Berquist, 11



"It's very well-rounded."
Stephanie Vance, 10

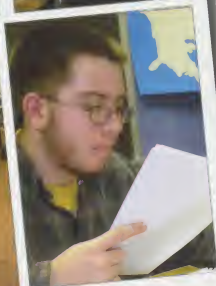


"Quiz bowl has a huge variety of subjects and we have a lot of members."
Chrissy Miller, 11

Quizzing Your Knowledge

- 1) Senior Zak Kizer and Sophomore Stephanie Vance at practice.
- 2) Senior Zak Kizer giggling while answering a question at practice.
- 3) The group takes a quick picture at their competition at Purdue North Central.
- 4) Junior James Podgorski and senior Zak Kizer practicing together.
- 5) Junior James Podgorski reviewing.

Photos by Collin Czilli



Sophomore Stephanie Vance studies her material while at practice.
Photo by Collin Czilli



Shining BRIGHT

Academic Quiz Bowl consisted of various rounds and the sounds of buzzers everytime a teammate had the answer to the question being asked. Members exceeded in many different subjects and competed around Northwest Indiana. Students had the chance of joining the group in the beginning of the season or halfway through. If they started in the beginning they were given the chance to compete first, however all the members got to compete in Duneland Athletic Conference held in Chersterton on March 8th.

The main goal for members that participated in Academic Quiz Bowl was to keep the winning streak they have had for a while.

"We learned unexpected things at DAC and ended up taking sixth place," sophomore Stephanie Vance said.

For the upcoming years the members of Academic Quiz Bowl have the plans to make it even farther than DAC and come home with more medals.

Story by Brooklynn Sellers

Test your Knowledge

- 1 What Soviet-era Russian wrote "Journey into the Whirlwind?"
- 2 What is the largest and most active volcano in Europe?
- 3 Who was the fast man to fly in space?
- 4 What activity was proposed and accepting to help prevent wildfires?

1/ Benjamin Ginzburg 2/ Mount Etna 3/ Yuri Gagarin 4/ Logging

Alphabet Soup

1) Ashley Conrad, 9, and Brandon Weis, 9, practice during a meeting. 2) Zak Kizer, 12, helps prepare teammates by quizzing during a meeting. 3) Students test their vocabulary during a meeting. 4) Kizer and Conrad pose with Brittany Weis, 9, for a group photo. 5) Weis practices his knowledge during a meeting. Photos by Brooklynn Sellers

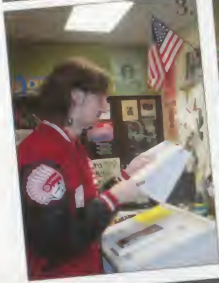
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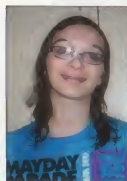
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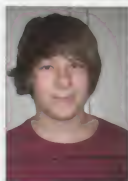
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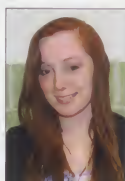
"When we came together at the meets. We would cheer for everyone."

Erin Davenport, 9



"Going up to competitions and doing the nine rounds."

Brandon Weis, 9



"Eating cookies at practice because they were so good!"

Paige Dickey, 9

Freshman Brandon Weis, practices his vernicular during a meeting. Weis took part in the annual Spell Bowl competition. Photo by Brooklynn Sellers



walking DICTIONARIES

Spell Bowl reaches a higher goal than last year and members bring home All Start title

Starting in early October Spell Bowl took their turn to prove to themselves and the school that they could academically achieve anything. However, they particularly excelled in spelling. They went through tedious test and time consuming practices. Some of the words they had to spell out would not normally be recognized by a typical teenager. These students worked extra hard to make sure every word met its definition and they understood it very well.

Words such as zooxanthella, spearhead, and tripartite were just three out of 4,000 words.

"The team got a higher score than usual. I was so proud of my team because I feel like we put our all into this year. We would stay after school everyday and practice for our next event," freshmen Brandon Weis said.

One big accomplishment the team had was freshman Paige Dickey making the All-Star Spelling team. She had to compete against

other schools which made her want to win.

After the competition, the team was awarded the All-Star Spelling team trophy. Freshman Paige Dickey was named the "down pack," freshmen Paige Dickey

Next year Spell Bowl hopes to accomplish a lot such as being more recognized and spreading the word out more about how great spelling could be. They would like to make it even further into the competitions, bring home more medals, and make our school more proud. Story by Brooklynn Sellers and Bree McCollum

The ABC's of SPELL BOWL

Memorize! Spell! Repeat!

- 1 **Anhydrous:** Containing no water
- 2 **Blatancy:** the property of being both obvious and offensive
- 3 **Chiffonier:** A tall chest of drawers, often with a mirror on top.
- 4 **Quintal:** A unit of weight equal to 100 kg

Extreme

Experimentation

1) Members pose for a picture. 2) Stephanie Vance, 10 builds her tower. 3) Giovanni Balderas, 10, constructs a tower for competition. 4) Bradley Hill, 10, and Vance participate in the regional competition. 5) Stephanie Monostyrski, 12, shows off her medal after competition. Photos by Nick Jordan and provided by Heather Castle



Rocks & Minerals

Remote Sensing OPTICS
Anatomy & Physiology

Protien Modeling

Thermodynamics

FORENSICS

Microbe Mission

Disease Detectives

Dynamic Planets

Ferni Questions

Astronomy Sounds of Music

HELICOPTERS

Gravity Vehicle

Experimental Design

ROBOT ARMS

Write it DO IT

Forestry TOWER

Water Quality

General Rules

Technology Problem Solving

CHEMISTRY LAB



"Towers because it's hands on."

Giovanni Balderas, 10



"The robot arm because I got to build it myself."

Bradley Hill, 10



"Forensics because it's an actual laboratory and you get to solve mysteries." Stephanie Vance, 10

Building a TEAM

Science Olympiad was compared to a revolution of science. It was not all about the competition or just sitting in the classes discussing topics about science. They get ready to explore facts about different careers and programs to get into. Science Olympiad was also not just something you do in high school. This was a club you could use in your daily life. Members attended many events over their season and participated in protein modeling, water quality Astronomy, Forestry, and other scientific categories.

Club sponsor Heather Castle was very proud of her team. There was never a time that the team was not either practicing for competition traveling around. Their hopes was to also place top four in the state at the last competition.

"I joined Science Olympiad because, I love science. I think our team did amazing this year and we were going to our state competition and we were going to make it to the top four. I think we were going to make it to the top four. I think we were going to make it to the top four." Bliss said.

The team accomplished alot last year and the members were proud that they had achieved one of their goals. They hope to invite more members and show fellow peers what the true meaning of Science Olympiad really is. Story by Brooklynn Sellers and Bree McCollum

Sophomore Bradley Hill controls his remote controlled robot device during a work session. Hill constucted the device himself. Photo by Nick Jordan



“Like a True OLYMPIAD”



“Science Olmpiad is engaging both creatively and mentally. I love it because it challenges me to think anylittically.”

Ken Guerra,
12

'Tis The Season

1. Top Prompudpong, 11, puts his imaginative thoughts on paper.
2. Simona Trajeski, 11, designs creatively the message Happy Holidays on her Christmas card.
3. Katie Peksenak, 11, takes her time out to put her creations on a card.
4. Katie Bylak, 11, puts the finishing touches on her Holiday card.
5. Katie Adkins, 11, concentrates on drawing more designs on her card.
6. Katie Peksenak, 11, starts writing out Happy Holidays on her card.

Photos by Breanna McCallum



Q: How long have you been President?

A: Two Years.

Q: What's the biggest accomplishment while being in BPA?

A: Making it to state everytime since freshman year.

Q: What advice do you have for the next president?

A: Be more assertive.

Q: Why did you decide to be in BPA?

A: I want to have a future career in business.

Q: What do you think makes BPA different than other groups?

A: It's not just fundraisers and events. You actually get hands on experience and compete.



Katie Bylak, 11
President

Q&A

...with the President

Junior Mike Azcona thinks about new designs to decorate his holiday card with. Every year BPA makes holiday greeting cards them for the elderly. Photo by Breanna McCollum



BUSINESS SAVY

Beginning in the month of November and continuing throughout the school year, about 15 students showed their interest in the Business Professionals of America club. They had the chance to gather together to promote their club as well as participate in many activities that related to their future careers as businesswomen and businessmen.

Nothing had come easily for this club. There were many hurdles that the club, as a whole, had to overcome to reassure that BPA kept its place at Portage High School. After the struggle of finding a new sponsor, BPA remained a concrete club.

"My main goal is to become more appreciated as a club," said District President and junior Racheal Gonzalez.

BPA often teamed up with National Honor Society and Student Council, all in which shared the common goal of helping others. Members of BPA made holiday cards for the elderly during the winter and raked leaves for people who could not do so themselves in the fall. Those projects were just a few of the numerous community service acts they participated in.

Each year, members competed in state competitions. These competition include subjects, such as medical office procedures, financial services, administrative skills, as well as information technology. The members strived to win awards and despite their earlier struggles, they pulled through in the end.

—Breanna McCollum

Why BPA?

"BPA might be the foundation to my business career."

Top Pronpudpong

"I wanted to volunteer to the community. I heard two days out of school and blacked out from there."

Mike Azcona, 11

"My sister got me into it during the summer and I thought it would be fun."

Racheal Gonzalez, 11

Art Goals
1) Senior Erin Connelly works patiently raking her latern during Art Club.

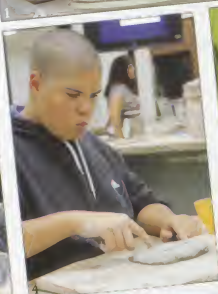
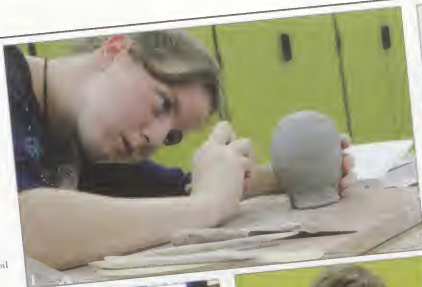
2) Seniors Zach Spurlock and Gabby Rodriguez work on the wheel to make bowls and cylinders.

3) Junior Jennifer Anderson studies working on her bowl on the wheel.

4) Sophomore Darrius Coleman works on his clay project during Art Club.

5) Sophomore Clayton Williams works making sure each piece on his coil pot during Art Club.

6) Sophomore Nick Pendleton learns how to make a project they were working on during Art Club. Photos by Jillian Talley



What is your favorite *form* of art?



"Sculpture and 3-D!"

Alexis Redington, 12



"Ceramics and Photo!"

Emily Dominguez, 12



"Painting!"

Vice President
Nyla Owens, 12

Senior Gabriella Rodriguez kneads her pound of clay to prepare throwing on the wheel. Photo by Jillian Talley



SAY IT WITH COLOR

For students to be creative and speak on how they felt through drawings and ceramics, **ART CLUB** was the place to be.

Over the past five years, **ART CLUB** has been hosting an event called Empty Bowls. It is a worldwide movement to raise money for a local food pantry. This year, it was hosted during the weekend of Earth Day. The bowls the students worked so hard to make sold for around \$10. It also includes homemade soup and a slice of bread.

"We're free from the expectations of teachers and allowed to express ourselves independently," senior Aza Braner said.

Every Wednesday for an hour after school, any student was given the chance to come and create their many artistic visions. Having **ART CLUB** made life easier for kids who wanted to express themselves and finish past class assignments.

"It gets to bring out your artistic ability and is a very bonding feeling," senior Kayla Mahaffety said.

Story by Breeana McCollum

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"Art Club is where people don't have room in their schedule to do art projects can come and work on things. It is our own Santos Workshop."

Trinite Oetman, 12

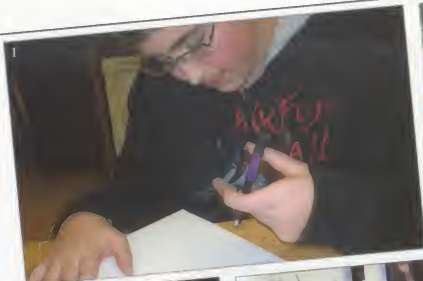


"It is an opportunity to learn about different forms of art I could not take a class for."

Aza Braner, 12

Japanese Manga

- 1) Kyle Cesare, 10, gets ready to draw new sketches in his sketchbook
 - 2) Kaitlin Pilipovic, 11, makes rings made out of construction paper
 - 3) Jordan Harrop-Herwood, 10, focuses on his drawings for the next competition.
 - 4) Stephanie Vance, 10, looks at her phone to copy a drawing down.
 - 5) The group raises their hand to volunteer for the Holiday party.
 - 6) Erin Richards, 9, uses concentration to copy a new sketch.
 - 7) Kirsten Replinger, 10, focuses on drawing straight lines to start on a new sketch.
- Photos by Breeana McCollum



An interview with the President



"I've been president since the middle of last year. My main goal is to show people Anime is more than a club, it's a lifestyle. We breathe, sleep, and eat manga. We would draw a four strip comic and would make sure we have occasional drawing contest to test eachothers skills.All I have to say to the next president is to keep these people in line and tell them how much people love anime.Make a name for Anime Club in this school."

Michael S. Holt, 12

Freshman Erin Richards focuses on her drawing she plans on submitting in the competitions Anime Club has. Photo by Brevana McCollum



ANIMATED cartoons

Anime Club was a club that had the main goal of trying to fit in. They were all about expressing themselves through Japanese drawings and practicing their lifestyle. Throughout everything this club struggled with such as keeping the same sponsor and trying to get the word out about their club, they managed to take pride in what they did best. Every Wednesday Anime Club would meet in one of the art rooms where they would discuss upcoming events and new manga drawings. Most people thought this club was for "geeks" however it was welcomed to anyone who took interest in art especially Japanese manga.

There were a few events Anime participated in. They teamed up with Art Club to participate in the Empty Bowls event. Drawings would be submitted with the hopes of someone buying them. Every year they would do an exchange where someone from the Japanese descent would come and show them the importance of Japanese drawings and take them in for a day to show how an actual family from Japan is. Members who participated in this found it to be fun and a new experience because it was different from their everyday life.

"I just want to spread the word for this unique art form," president Michael S. Holt Jr. said.

Anime was very interested in community service. Especially if it had something to do with art. During the end of the year they would set up a little table where students could donate money to the Japan Relief Fund to show support for their recent tragedies. They named this fundraiser Project Wish Tree.

Overall Anime Club is a fun loving group and it is something that's worth while.

Story by Brevana McCollum

what's your **FAVORITE** anime character?
Train Heartnet Sasuke Uchia

Devon Watson, 11

Jordan Wattles, 10

reduce reuse cycle

Rules to live by, according to
recycling club

Crumpled paper, empty bottles, and miscellaneous objects, such as cardboard were the typical things students found themselves collecting. Every Thursday Recycling Club members would stay after school and eat a small snack before they would go out to collect all the yellow bins outside of teachers' classroom doors filled with paper items.

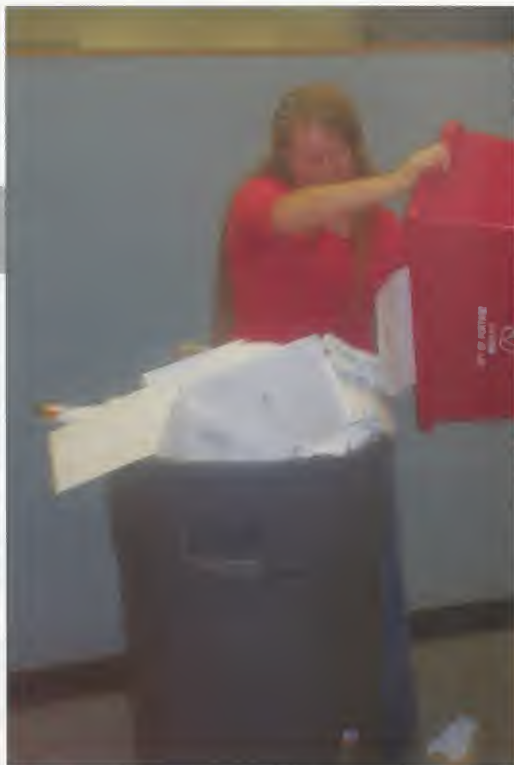
"It makes me feel good after I recycle," sophomore Autumn Stevenson said.

Recycling Club was a very good thing to participate in, because there was always a way to help save the planet. Students who were passionate about recycling signed up to be in this club, because they knew every little bit helped.

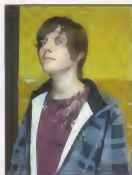
"It is fun and it helps the environment," junior Priscilla Martinez said.

When you would see the students recycling they would look happy and excited to be doing their jobs. Although some students and staff do not prefer to recycle whether at home or school, recycling reduces the waste going into landfills. So why not step out of your comfort zone and recycle with students here at PHS. Story by Brook Sellers

Sophomore Amanda Poguel participates during recycling club, helping save the environment. Photo by Brook Sellers



What draws you to RECYCLING CLUB?



"It's a good thing to do for the school and the environment."

Tyler Demko, 11

Pounds of Paper

1. Autumn Stevenson, 10, gets the bottles and papers out of the recycling bin and into the cans. 2. Joshua Sullivan, 12, collects the papers from the west building to take the paper to the recycling cans outside. 3. Joshua Sullivan, 12, assembles paper into the trash can. 4. Amanda Pogue, 10, laughs at one of her recycling members while putting the last bit of paper in the bin. 5. Autumn Stevenson, 10, participates during recycling club along with recycling club leader Heather Castle and Lucas Sullivan, 10. 6. Tyler Demko, 11, empties recycling bins during a meeting after school. Photos by Brooklyn Sellers



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The amount of tin and
steel cans

Americans use every day.
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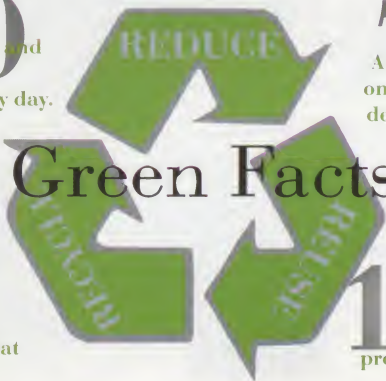
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Amount of time it takes
one plastic bottle to fully
decompose in a landfill.
years

Green Facts

50

Acres of rainforest that
are lost every year.
million



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Amount of trash
produced by one person
in one year.
pounds

Follow the Leader

1. Members of Captains Council gather around to look at gifts in the bag. 2) Students share laughs while receiving the clubs t-shirts. 3) Abby Trader, 12, wraps gifts to be shipped off to local charities. 4) Student begins to close the box filled with clothes. 5) Students talk as they stack clothes up. 6) Jordan Simmons, 12, works with another member to prepare more gifts. 7) Kacie McGuire, 12, has a snack while trying to presents together. Photos by Nick Jordan



Wins, ~~&~~ BRAGGING Losses ~~&~~ RIGHTS

What makes your sport unique from other school athletics?



"Not everyone can be a gymnast."

*Ali Johnson, 12
Gymnastics*



"Everyone's responsible for their own part in the team."

*Othie Freeney, 12
Track & Field,
Football*



"There's a lot of aspects to [softball] because everyone comes together."

*Jalise McKnight, 11
Softball*



"Being able the opprotunity to make a difference in the community."

Max Zmija, 12



"Knowing that the team and the rest of the school looks at me as a leader."

Bri Cipich, 12

30 Minutes a week

What is the best part of being a Captain of Captains Council?



Junior Mackenzie Barcelli laughs with her fellow council members while she wraps clothes to be sent off to local charities. Photo by Nick Jordan

A Voice for the TEAM

Captains Council is a club where every captain from every sport has a voice. They are the ones who make the decisions for the school. They are the ones who make the school a better place. They are the ones who make the school a better place. They are the ones who make the school a better place.

The captains of each sport had the opportunity to speak for every member of their team as a way to show everyone was in it together. They participated in activities such as spreading holiday cheer to the elderly and donating clothes and toiletries to people who were less fortunate.

"The best thing about Captains Council is knowing that you did something to make a difference in the community," senior Lisa Cruz said.

Everyone who participated in Captains Council had the opportunity to share what they thought was the best feature for the sport they played. They created a bond with each other that would eventually pay off in the long run.

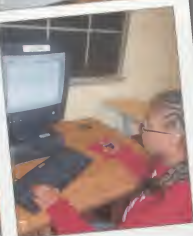
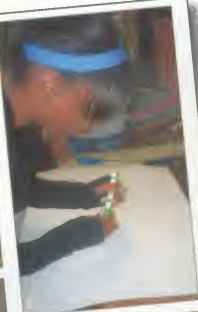
"The hardest part was setting up plans to help the community," senior Joey Little said.

Captains Council has not been around for a very long time, but the members were sure that it will stick around, because everyone worked towards one goal, which was to be one team instead of individual ones.

Story by Bre McCollum

Make a Difference

- 1) Members of Diversity Club gather around to get a group picture.
- 2) Alize Johnson, 11, works along with other members to design Diversity Club posters for the upcoming meeting.
- 3) Ebony Powell, 10, and Taylore Hale, 11, work on making the next call out meeting sign.
- 4) Courtney Payne, 12, passes out icecream to future members.
- 5) The finished product of the callout meeting poster.
- 6) Nicole Thomas, 11, draws making the next Diversity Club poster.
- 7) Ebony Powell, 10, designs the next call out meeting sign. Photos by Breana McCollum



What makes DIVERSITY SO DIVERSE?



"We do different things and play games that relate to our club."

Sharae Hightower, 9



"We stand out for a purpose and can experience a change."

Monica Jeffery, 10



"Different personalities really makes it diverse."

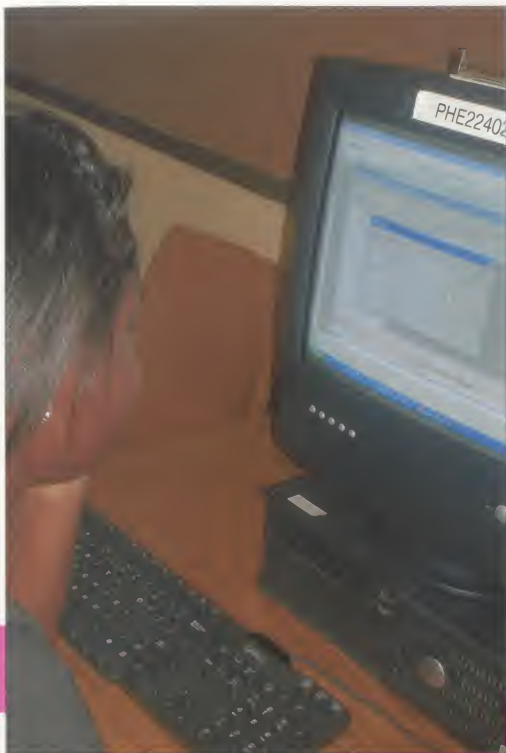
Briana Jenkins, 10



"It's full of different people who have different stories."

Stefani Trajceski, 10

Junior Taylor Hale searches for ways to make callout meeting posters more graphic.



Say it DIFFERENTLY

Typically hearing the word diverse people may think of words like different or change. Every other Tuesday after school there was a place where students could put those words to use. Starting every meeting with a check in containing your name, mod and a random ice breaker question. Diversity Club members learned more about each other as well as themselves.

"I like that we're all coming together to do one thing and help other people," junior Talyor Hale said.

It was not only a club where you sat in a room and discussed the latest topics in the world. It was a chance to become a leader for kids younger or the same age. About twice a semester skits would be put on for elementary and middle school students about things such as race, disabilities, and bullying. They also attend different schools in the area to see the difference between our school and theirs.

"My favorite part is check-in and the amount of people that show up," freshman Jessenia Tribble said.

Story by Bree McCollum

Q & A with

COURTNEY PAYNE

Q: What is your rank in Diversity Club?

A: I'm the President.

Q: What makes Diversity Club so diverse?

A: It just isn't about sticking to the script because we write our own lines.

Q: What advice do you have for the next President?

A: Even when it gets tough don't be afraid to pursue every idea.

Q: Anything else you want to add?

A: Yes, you can never feel good in Diversity. You have to feel better than that.





"The thought of handling the rifles and competing was really cool to me."

Martha Esparza, 10



"When I come in where, it's like I'm best friends with everyone."

Matthew Bolin, 11

After the BELL

Practice makes perfect, only if you practice everyday that is.

say it inSTEP

Day in and day out, Monday through Friday with the occasional Saturday, from 10th mod until usually well after the final bell chimes, the ROTC associated drill team rehearsed and soon after memorized complex marches and procedures. Their work payed off with extradiary benefits.

It's worth all of the time, you get much better and you feel much better physically when you participate," said sophomore Jordan Cunningham, "it's a full circle."

While most students usually sprint home to relax after a long school day, the students involved in drill team practiced every day of the week, sometimes staying after until five o'clock. These students proved to be excellent time managers with an average B+ GPA.

"Drill team helped me improve my leadership skills and it made me much more involved," said sophomore Steven Barich.

The team's practice quickly paid off. The students exceptional team work abilities won them frequent first and second place medals in numerous competitions.

Regardless the hours of overtime practice or number of prestigious awards, the unbreakable bonds created by the team are ones never to be forgotten.

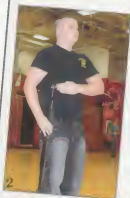
Story by Nick Jordan



Sophomores Michael Wisniewski and like up during the Drill Team class. Students who participated in Drill Team stayed after school to perfect their skills. Photo by Nick Jordan

Easy Goals

1) Joe Johnson, 12, gives instruction to members of the Drill Team. 2) Darrin Robinson, 12, holds his posture while practicing with the rifle. 3) The new cadets arrange themselves along a straight line. 4) The Boys Armed Exhibition Drill Team practices a routine with the rifles. 5) Johnson practices with the rest of his squad. 6) Shane Bravon, 11, performs a move for a routine. 7) Zach Taylor, 11, and Robert Rodriguez, 9, salute their instructors. Photos by Nick Jordan



Marching through the RANKS



"I look at the drill team like a big family where I act as the older brother."

Joe Johnson, 12
Cadet Major



"It gives me the ability to be a better leader and helps you in your future."

Kaleena
Bretzinger, 12
Executive Officer



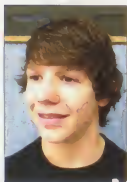
"You have to have a backbone. You have to know when to put your foot down and when to be soft."
Devin Adams, 12
Operations Officer
& Cadet Captain

Check Mate

- 1) Bethany Casella, 9, and Emily Casella, 11, concentrate during a match.
 - 2) Members practice during a meeting.
 - 3) Logan Kilpatrick, 9, focuses on his next move.
 - 4) Dena Mocabee questions her opponent.
 - 5) Members attend a chess club meeting.
 - 6) Abigail Spieen socializes in-between matches.
- Photos by Brook Sellers

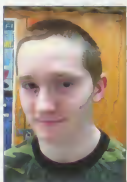


Working the Numbers ³₂₁



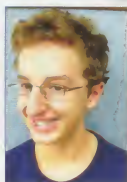
"Overall I have won five games since I have been playing chess."

Shamas Makee, 9



"I haven't been playing chess that long, but I've won one game."

Chris Cordray, 10



"I have won four games this year so far."

Chris Jordan, 9

Check MATE

This year was the first year of Chess Club, many students were in attendance. Mr. Marthakis directed the club in room 311.

"It's challenging to face a member but, I face them and I love it," freshman Marko Mavrovic said. "A lot of the people play for fun, but I take it as a challenge and mind game."

Chess club was not only about physically moving an object to another space, it was a mind game. Students had to use strategies to win the game.

"I have played chess since I've been nine years old," freshman Abbey Spicer said. "My grandfather taught me how to focus on it and how to keep my mind on the game. At first I felt like I wouldn't enjoy it but the more I played the more I enjoyed it."

The chess club would let any of the

members to play chess with anyone who wanted to. The club was open to all students and was a great way to spend time with friends and learn a new game.

"We are a chess playing club and everyone is welcome and can attend regardless their skill level," Marthakis said. "I'm proud of the accomplishment we achieved."

Story by Brooklynn Sellers

Members, including freshman Chris Jordan, Paul Shafer and Ben Schaefer, practice during a meeting. Chess Club was a new addition to the school's extensive list of clubs. Photo by Brook Sellers

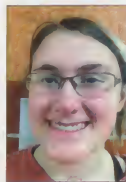


Your say



"It's pretty fun and I love the way you get to think all threw the game."

Bethany
Casella, 9



"It's really fun to challenge my teammates."

Emily Casella, 11



Sophomore Stephanie Galey serves the ball to the opposing team. Each team member was ready and in position for the ball return. Photo by Nyla Owens



Senior Bre Beal cheers for the Portage Indians against the Illinois-based St. Rita Mustangs as she is held in the air with her fellow cheerleaders in company. Photo by Jillian Talley



How **LOUD** can you get?

Two years ago, the athletic department developed Club 225. The following year it was club 250 and now club 300. Club 300 is 80 percent of the total games.

"The athletic department decided to bump club 250 to club 300, because the athletes shattered club 250 with the talent in the athletes," athletic director Jeff Smith said.

Club 300 gives every varsity team the ability to do better every game, and to help the school achieve this goal.

"I hope we can reach the goal. It will not be easy with the competition we have," Smith said.

Senior Haley Snyder is a part of the Varsity basketball and volleyball ball team. Snyder feels Club 300 is a part of her doing as well as other teammates.

"I am a positive leader on my team, so I try to go to other teammate's games to show my support," Snyder said.

Each player on every team tries to support each other making sure they work together to reach club 300 by the end of the year.

"We are all in this together, we want to reach the same goal," Junior Rashaan Coleman said.

Story by Dana Haywood

1] Freshman Blake LaBorde gears up to swing at a home meet at Robi-nhurst Golf Course this year. 2] Junior Tyler Soberg preps himself to return the ball while warming up before a meet. 3] Junior Nicole Monahandribbles the ball down the field during a home soccer game. Photos by Jillian Talley

Say It **Loud**

OH SNAP

University of Dallas football team did something very unique. They had a game cancellation made that was made five or six weeks ago. Sept. 24, the football team got ready to play, with two or three players. During the school year, they were told that the football players.

"It was a really good way to show how

Mishawaka Marian 22-29 L
St. Rita 21-32 L
Lake Central 7-62 L
Merrillville 17-16 W
Crown Point 0-42 L

Chesterton 21-17 W
Michigan City 12-7 W
Valparaiso 25-42 L
LaPorte 27-26 W
Overall 4-5
DAC 4-3

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good we really were," sophomore Sam Schest said. They all were determined to beat the Trojans.

This was the third football game featured on Lakeshore Public Television, channel 56. They had a package called Saturday Night Lights that consisted of four games. The game was also broadcasted on 89.1 FM and the game was on The Northwest Indiana Times website.

Although it was a special game, Joey Roman, 19, said he was treated just like any other game.

There was a hint that of being with him the game and starting it. He suddenly was going to the Willow, reasoning on the spot. It was a rising knowledge. We were and were on the

It says that, during the 1990s and 2000s,

fun on the field," sophomore Bri Gibson said. Multiple people were very impressed with the game that they saw.

"I thought it was one of our best games in the whole season," junior Justin Givens said.

The Indians walked away with a 21-17 win. Kenyota Rollins, 10, had three sacks and 13 tackles.

"I knew I had to do good and show that Portage was still good," Rollins said.

Senior Garret Austin had one sack and nine tackles.

"I was proud of the team," Austin said.

Rashaan Coleman scored the winning touchdown within the last five seconds of the game. The Purple football program has been won on a number of occasions by the same story to Marvin Wayne.



Kevon Jones, 12, prepares to tackle a player from St. Rita. This year's matchup between the teams was at home. Photo by Jill Talley

Lets Tackle

1) Patrick Doyle, 12, snaps the ball to the quarterback. 2) Alvin Best, 12, is ready for the play to start. 3) Zac Vardaman, 12, makes a tackle during defense. 4) Joey Little, 12, concentrates during the Homecoming game. 5) The captains walk back to the sidelines after the coin toss. 6) The offensive line battles the opposing team back. 7) The defensive line makes a tackle. Photos by Jill Talley



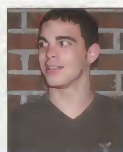
Senior segment



"One of my traditions is to comb my hair out into a afro before every game." Alvin Best, 12



"My favorite part is the intensity of the game." Matt Urbanczyk, 12



"When you're on the field it feels like you have no worries." Mike Escoc, 12



"I have become more disciplined and reliable." Joey Little, 12

Talk About Teamwork

1) Hashim Simpson, 10, and Kevon Jones, 12, run into the game. 2) The defensive line makes tackles. 3) The team groups together during a time out. 4) The offensive line snaps the ball to start the play. 5) The offensive line gets into position for the play to start. 6) Travis Williams, 10, goes in for Davin Gonzalez, 9. Photos by Jill Talley and Nyla Owens

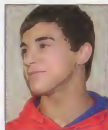


Making the Transition

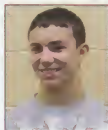
The Legend staff asked the football team their thoughts on the season



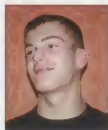
"I like how the whole team has my back."
Alex Coates, 10



"It is a lot more strict than middle school."
Kyle Green, 9



"I knew it was going to be harder."
Alex Guerreo, 9



"This year is a lot more organized."
Hunter Kraynak, 9



"I am very grateful for our coaches."
TJ Skelton, 10



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Mishawaka Marian
ian 14-7 (called for
lightning)
St. Rita 21-7 W
Lake Central 14-21
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Merrillville 18-38 L
Crown Point 0-31 L
Chesterton 14-13 W

Michigan City 12-
20 L
Valparaiso 14-17 L
LaPorte 7-35 L
DAC 1-6
Overall 2-6
Freshman
Mishawaka Marian
14-12 W
St. Rita 0-35 L

Lake Central 14-25
L
Merrillville 7-6 W
Crown Point 0-26 L
Chesterton 22-20 W
Michigan City 6-0 W
Valparaiso 0-20
LaPorte 8-22 L
DAC 3-4
Overall 4-5

Results



Gage Pearman, 10, runs off the field after a play. Pearman served at the team's quarterback for the season. Photo by Jill Talley.

Rising UP

This year the Portage varsity football team was made up of all different grades. The freshman team is always made up of freshman. JV was made up of sophomores. Varsity was made up of seniors, juniors and sophomores.

There were a few fortunate sophomores that we moved up to varsity. A few of them dressed for varsity sectionals last year.

"It felt like an honor," sophomore Sam Schest said.

The boys had some majors positions on the varsity team. Sophomore Hashim Simpson was a running back before getting hurt during season. Sophomore Joey Roman played as a wide receiver and a defensive back. Sophomore Gage Pearman was a quarterback.

"It was a good experience with more competition," Pearman said.

Sophomore Cody Moldanado was a wide receiver and defensive back.

"It was a lot harder than freshman," Moldanado said.

Kenyota Rollins was part of the defensive line.

"It was exciting," Rollins said.

Rollins also had a great game against Chesterton.

The Portage football team is expected to succeed next year. Thanks to the prep these players received during the season, the sophomores are going to be ready for their next two years fighting for Portage.

Story by Mariah Wright

Berry BOWL

The varsity volleyball team participated in Logansport's Berry Bowl again this year. This is one of the main tournaments the volleyball players compete in.

"It was really fun and it brought our team a lot closer," junior Kaley Liang said.

Their first game went well. They won in a score of 25-18 and 25-18 against Weistfield. Senior Ari Cummings, had one kill, one serving ace and 11 digs. Senior Ali Johnson had four kills, four serving aces, and one dig. Senior Caitlyn Bryd had three kills, one serving ace and four digs. Senior Haley Snyder had nine kills and one block solo. Senior Kacey McGuire, had 12 assists, two kills, one serving ace and two digs.

This was a good team that the Portage Indians beat.

"They went to win fourth in state," Coach Brian Zofkie said.

The next team Portage played they fell short in a loss to Logansport. The score was 26-28 and 25-16. Snyder and McGuire had another good game. Snyder had 12 kills, one block solo and nine digs. McGuire had two kills, one block solo, nine digs and 13 assists. The girls put up a good fight to Logansport.

Next was the third game the girls faced. They beat Logansport 25-18 and 25-16. Johnson had two kills and five digs. Bryd had two kills and three block winners. They also had a serving ace and a block solo and two kills. McGuire had two kills, one block solo and 11 assists.

Snyder had nine kills, one serving ace and four digs. The girls were the champions. They won 25-18 and 25-16. Snyder had nine kills, one serving ace and four digs.

"I was so excited we got to play on the main court and taking second place was even better!" junior Bri Gibson said.

This is the first time the seniors had the chance to be in the championship game.

"When we made it to the finals, it was amazing. We have never played together like a team like we did there," Cummings said.

They ended up with a record of 2-2 at the tournament.

Story by Mariah Wright

Jade McKnight, 11, and Haley Snyder, 12, jump up to block the ball. Snyder served as one of the varsity team captains.

Photo by: Rachel Santos



Varsity
Andean 0-3 L
Hobart 3-0 W
Morton 3-0 W
Boone Grove
3-2 W
Merriville 2-3
L
LaPorte 0-3 L

Lake Central
0-2 L
Chesterton
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Crown Point
1-3 L
Valparaiso
0-3 L

Michigan City
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Highland 3-0
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Merriville 3-2
W
LaPorte 0-3 L
Lowell 0-3 L

Lake Central
0-3 L
Munster 1-3 L
Chesterton
0-3 L
Crown Point
1-3 L
Valparaiso
0-3 L

Michigan City
0-3 L
Wheeler 0-3 L
Sectional
Michigan City
21-25, 22-25,
21-25 L
Overall 9-21
DAC 2-12

Results

Say Your Favorite Memory



"Watching film and making fun of each other." Haley Snyder, 12

"My favorite memory is our Senior Night at Pizza Hut." Caitlyn Bryd, 12



"Our games on the bus ride homes, especially from tournaments." Bri Gibson, 11

"When we were watching film and coach said 'I'm going to get a dig!'" Kacie McGuire, 12



Circle Up

1) The varsity team comes together to get a break after winning the point. 2) Haley Snyder, 12, looks for the ball after it was passed. 3) Kacie McGuire, 12, serves the ball. 4) Carli Piro, 12, and Mariah Wright, 10, jump up to the net for the block. 5) Bri Gibson, 11, waits for the server so she can pass it. 6) Ali Johnson, 12, is getting ready to pass it while Michaela Miller, 11, runs to the net to set. 7) Rachel Ortiz, 10, gets into position to pass the ball. Photos by Jill Talley and Rachel Santos



Freshman Abby Alexander talks to her team before the opposing team serves to Portage. Photo by Jill Talley



bump, set, SPIKE

The freshman volleyball team had the best record out of the three volleyball teams. They also had a winning record of 13-12. They showed their fellow students and fans what they are capable of.

In the beginning of the year, the girls had a strong start. They were undefeated for four games and then won another won after a lose.

"It was a lot of fun!" freshman Abby Alexander said.

Coach Ashley Plumly did a very nice job preparing the girls.

Coach Ashley Plumly was brought onto the coaching staff during the summer. She is a new biology teacher at the school. She said that she was excited to be in a new environment.

"I expected Plumly to be a really hard coach, but she was exactly what we needed," freshman Abby Czapl-Zurek said.

Two games that the freshman team played that featured great accomplishments included the wins against Chesterton and Valparaiso.

"It feels great to have the best record in our volleyball program," freshman Ashley Belt said.

The freshman volleyball players are expected to help create the new volleyball program, with the new head JV coach Kacey Kornacki and head varsity coach, Brian Zofkie.

"We had a good team and hopefully we will continue to get better," freshman Madi Lewis said.

The volleyball team is looking forward to the new season and the new head coach. They will be competing in the 2016-2017 season.

Story by Mariah Wright

Junior Varsity

Andean 0-2 L
Hobart 2-0 W
Morton 2-0 W
Boone Grove 2-1 W
Merriville 0-2 L
LaPorte 0-2 L
Lake Central 0-2 L
Chesterton 0-2 L
Crown Point 0-2 L

Valparaiso 0-2 L
Michigan City 0-2 L
Highland 2-1 W
Merriville 1-2 L
LaPorte 0-2 L
Lowell 0-2 L
Lake Central 0-2 L
Munster 0-2 L
Chesterton 0-2 L
Crown Point 0-2 L

Valparaiso 0-2 L
Michigan City 1-2 L
Wheeler 2-0 W
Overall 6-19
DAC 0-14
Freshmen
Andean 2-1 W
Hobart 2-0 W
Merriville 2-0 W
Boone Grove 2-0 W

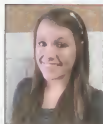
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Highland 2-1 W
Merriville 2-0 W
LaPorte 1-2 L

Lowell 2-0 W
Lake Central 0-2 L
Munster 0-2 L
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Michigan City 2-0 W
Wheeler 2-0 W
Overall 13-12
DAC 7-7

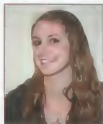
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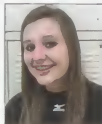
Can you say Role Model?



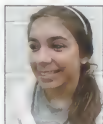
"Haley Snyder is my role model."
Lilly Kearby, 9



"One of my role models are Caitlyn Byrd." Josi Auksel, 10



"Ari Cummings has been my role model since freshman year." Aylssa Ronk, 10



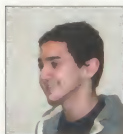
"My role model is Kacie McGuire."
Lauren Winkky, 9

Ready to Play

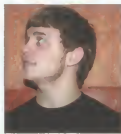
1) Ariella Peirman, 10, and Kaley Liang, 11, concentrate on passing the ball in serve receive. 2) Kaylie Zielinski, 9, throws her hands over the net for the block. 3) Lilly Kearby, 9, gets her hands up for the block while Kaylie Zielinski, 9, runs over to help. 4) Stephanie Caley, 10, hits the ball for a kill. 5) The team gathers for a time out. 6) Justine Brasseur, 10, talks to her team to get the pass up. 7) Rachel Block, 9, and Lauren Winkky, 9, stand in serve receive to pass the ball. Photos by Nyla Owens and Jill Talley.



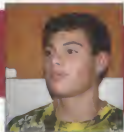
Keep on Kickin'



"It feels great playing with the older players. It makes me feel like I'm better or as good as they are." Koste Kocosi, 9



"The thing I'm going to miss the most will be the seniors, they made this season a memorable one." Derik Novina, 11



"I enjoy playing with the seniors and the other high schoolers. It's a great experience." Benjamen Cole, 12



"It's going to be really sad leaving my friends and everyone involved with the team." Benjamen Cole, 12

Make a Goal

1) Greg Prohl, 11, gives the ball a swift kick. 2) Louis Samaniego, 12, runs after the ball. 3) Justin Hill, 11, goes head to head with the opposite team for a chance at the ball. 4) Prohl runs the ball up the field, hoping to score. 5) The team takes the field to be introduced to their fans. 6) Antonio Ponce, 11, prepares to steal the ball from the opposite team. 7) Victor Mendoza, 10, runs the field with the ball. Photos provided by HR Imaging



Munster 0-2 L
Merrillville 3-2 W
SB St. Joe 0-0 T
SB Adams 0-4 L
Crown Point 0-6 L
Andrean 1-2 L
Lake Central 0-6 L

Michigan City 4-0 W
Hobart 7-1 W
LaPorte 0-1 L
Griffith 2-0 W
Marquette 1-0 W
Valparaiso 1-2 L
Sectional 2-0 L

Results



Antonio Ponce, 11, gets a head start on the other team by running the ball down the field. The teams season record was 5-5-1 and DAC was 2-4. Photo provided by HR Imaging

HIGH Expectations

At the start of this year, the soccer team had very high expectations for a successful and exciting season.

"I have high hopes of going to sectionals with the crown and winning," said goalkeeper Patience O'Connor.

As the season unfolded, the players' views started changing on their goals.

"I didn't think we'd be as good as we were last year, but I didn't think we'd end the season with the record we did," Greg Prohl said.

As the season moved forward the players' anticipation to win got higher and higher.

Even though the boys didn't reach their goal for sectionals, they gave it all they had.

The boys ended their season with decent record and the great expectations of winning sectionals next year.

Story by Kaylee Nugent

Kick It!

1) Anthony Sickles, 9, prepares to throw the ball back in play. 2) Brandon Reyes, 9, chases the down field. 3) Collin Graber, 10, attempts to make a pass. 4) Coach Gordon talks to his players, prior to the game. 5) Koste Kocosi, 9, and Collin Graber, 10, keep the ball in motion. 6) Koste Kocosi, 9, runs the ball downfield. 7) Hands in for a team meeting. Photos provided by HR Imaging



For the love of **SOCCER**

"I love playing because I get better with my ball handling and learning the fundamentals of the game." Anthony Lombardo, 10

"My favorite thing about playing is having fun and being with the guys on the team." Joe Huber, 9

"Being new to the team this year meant we had to clean up everything, including water and balls." Ben Schaefer, 9

"The best things about playing soccer are my friends and my teammates." Oscar Tinoco, 10

Antonio Ponce 11, dribbles the ball down the field. The team finished with a 3-5-2 record and a 2-2-1 DAC record. Photo by HR Imaging



brotherly LOVE

Junior Joseph Beckham is just like any other high school soccer player. He participates with his team and follows the guidelines to being an excellent athlete.

While there are some people who want to learn to play soccer because they watch it on television, or from watching their favorite athletes play, Joseph Beckham has a different mentality about playing.

Joseph Beckham's reason for starting to play soccer is an extremely unique one. Some people find the game interesting or exhilarating, but Joseph Beckham's reasons go deeper. His brother, Jay Beckham, inspired him to play.

Jay Beckham, also a soccer player, was playing in any normal soccer game and then something terrible happened. Jay Beckham had a heart attack on the field. Joseph Beckham was then inspired to join the soccer team.

"All my brothers dreams of playing soccer ended that day. I wanted to start playing soccer to fulfill his dreams," Joseph Beckham said.

He was just one of many inspired players on the team, and it was that inspiration that led the team to a W-L-T record.

Junior Anthony Lombardo, who has been playing soccer for six years, is motivated to play hard by his teammates. He said soccer allows him to have fun with his teammates and have something to do after school.

Lombardo also said his mom and sophomore Cristiano Ronaldo motivate him.

"I try to look and play like him [Ronaldo]. My mom always wanted me to play," he said.

Lombardo is hoping that soccer will help him in college and later in life.

Story by Kaylee Nugent

Munster +2 L
Merrillville 1-0 W
SB St. Joe 0-2 L
Crown Point 0-3 L
Andean 1-2 L
Michigan City 1-0 W
Hobart 4-0 W
LaPorte 2-2 T
Griffith 0-0 T
Chesterton 0-2 L

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Kick It Up

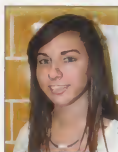
1) Lauren Zack, 11, kicks the ball to a teammate. 2) Christina Esquivel, 12, runs on the field. 3) Stephanie Upton, 11, readies herself to catch the ball. 4) Alexis McDaniels, 9, throws the ball in. 5) Varsity coach Amanda Isakson looks as the team competes against Andean. 6) Nicki Monahan, 11, kicks the ball down the field. 7) Heather Figueroa, 11, runs in. Pictures by Jill Talley and HR Imaging



Memorable Moments



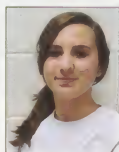
"One of the teams memorable moments is that we lost a lot of loved ones this year but we never gave up," Christina Esquivel, 12



"My pasta party when we threw everyone in the pool shortly after they arrived," Heather Figueroa, 11



"My favorite memory is when we tied Chesterton 2-2 at one point in the game," Crystal Castrejon, 12



"When I scored a header at our game vs. Chesterton because that's all I wanted to do," Natalia Nacovski, 10

Sophomore Natalia Nacovski looks for the ball during the game against Valparaiso. This is Nacovski's second year on the varsity team. Photo by Jillian Talley



shoot it OUT

This year's varsity soccer team struggled with a lot of losses that the seniors went through. The underclassmen helped them get their minds off of the losses and focus on soccer when it came to game time.

"Each and everyone of us still put our hearts out in the field," senior Christina Esquivel said.

The varsity soccer team's best game was against Michigan City. Many players agree to this.

"It was a well played game and one we fought hard for," senior Andrea Stronczek said.

The game was a tie of 0-0. They had a shoot out to win. The ending score was 3-2. Nicki Monahan, Natalia Nacovski, and Lauren Zack made the winning goals.

"It was one of few wins and we were very excited to get one," Nicki Monahan, 11, said.

The team struggled with wins but they had a fun season overall. They bonded together as the season went on.

"We came together better as a team," Zack said.

The girls will be getting a new head coach next year. They will miss Coach Isackson very much.

"She has taught me so much and I am going to miss her a lot," junior Stephanie Upton said.

Story by Mariah Wright

SB St. Joe 0-8 L
Merrillville 2-4 L
Crown Point
0-5 L
Munster 0-2 L
Lake Central
1-6 L

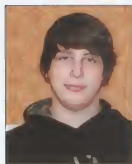
Andean 2-1 W
Michigan City
1-0 W
LaPorte 3-2 W
Highland 0-4 L
Chesterton 2-4 L
Valparaiso 0-8 L

Hobart 0-2 W
DAC 2-5
Overall 4-14

Results

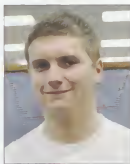
STRIKE

What's your favorite part?



"I like how close we are as a team."

Austin Pary, 11



"I love the intensity."

Jake Sturgill, 9



"I love the competitiveness of the game."

Jeffery Smith, 11

Roll It Out

1) The team looks at a teammate that is bowling. 2) Nicole Walton, 10, tosses the ball. 3) Kodi Saloman, 10, rolls the ball for a strike. 4) Caitlin Pidgeon is getting ready to toss the ball. 5) Jackie Rhoda, 9, follows through her toss. 6) Pidgeon rolls the ball. Photos by Collin Czilli

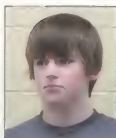


Close to Perfection

Check out some of the highest scores of the year



Jackie Rhoda, 9
252



Justin Hopkins, 9
242



Jordan Trent, 10
289



Senior Jessica Morris throws the bowling ball in hopes for a strike. The team competed at Camelot Bowl. Photo by Collin Czilli

First Strike In LETTERS

In the past, being on the bowling team yielded the right to brag about being on the team. This year's bowling team, however, received a little more, as team members were able to letter for the first time.

"Being able to letter is a new change so it's fun for me," freshman Jackie Rhoda said.

The team was disappointed by not being able to letter in past years.

"It made me very upset not being able to letter my freshman and sophomore year," junior Jeffery Smith said.

The bowling team is considered an athletic club by the school, which is why the team was not able to obtain letters in the past years.

"I just don't think it's really fair, especially when all the other schools in our region can letter for bowling," junior Austin Pavy said.

The coaches, Lennie Smock and Debbie Williams, wanted to thank some of their bowlers for the 2006-2007 season. Jackie Rhoda, Justin Hopkins, and Jordan Trent.

"I was glad we were able to get some letters in the past year, but we could have gotten more. We've been trying to get us to letter for a while, and we're getting closer," senior Kurtis Vild said.

The team is going to be able to letter again next year.

Story by Mariah Wright

Ready to Run

1) Senior Tyler Sweets is in control of the lead. 2) Freshman Tylor Hudson races to finish first. 3) Sweets edges closer to the finish. 4) Sophomore Dustin Balboa sprints for the finish line. 5) The teams prepares at the starting line. 6) Senior Robert Blackwell outruns the competition. 7) Sophomore Anthony Best goes head to head with another competitor. Photos by Jillian Talley



Personal Records



16:36

Max Zmija, 12



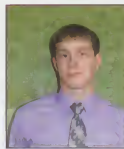
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Dustin Balboa, 10



16:21

Robert Blackwell,
12



17:00

David Clegg, 10

Senior Max Zmija struggles, but pushes through during a segment of a race at Woodland Park. The boys cross country team finished with a record of 2-5 both for the season and DAC. Photo by Jill Talley



Plagued by INJURY

With injuries and sickness all around, the cross country team did not know what to do. With so many runners out and hurt the team was not able to show its full potential.

"With all of the people getting hurt or sick, the season was limited. Some of our better athletes were out, but that gave the younger runners a chance to step up and provide their contributions for the team," said Coach Erickson.

The younger players got to step up and were hit full force with a high school sport.

"This year we were deep, meaning that even though most of our top runners were out, the people who replaced them were just as good," said Coach Arredondo.

Even though the shortage was a major problem for the team and their season, the boys worked through it.

"From time to time you could see the boys were frustrated because of the situation, but they handled it very maturely," said Mr. Erickson.

The team, even though was unfortunately interrupted by all the injuries and sicknesses, finished the season with a DAC and regular season combination of 2-5.

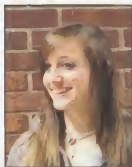
Story by Kaylee Nugent

Gavit Invite 3rd Place
Merrillville 15-50 W
Harrison Invite 7th Place
Grown Point L
LaPorte L
Michigan City Jv Invite 3rd Place
Michigan City 19-44 W

Chesterton 27-28 L
New Prairie Invite 12th Place
Culver Invite 20th Place
DAC Meet 4th Place
Sectional 5th Place
Regional 5th Place

Results

Perfect Timing



20:43

*Keanna
Crum, 10*



18:55

*Paige
Pizer, 10*



19:24

*Megan
Cassidy, 12*



20:40

*Salina
McConnel, 10*

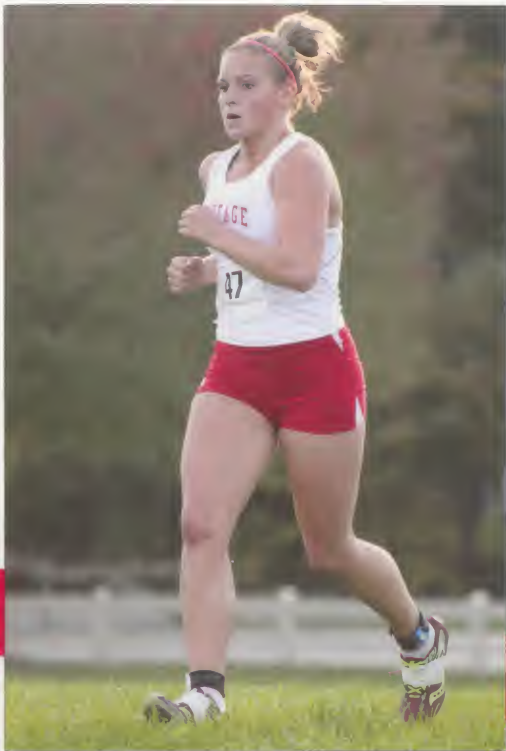
What was your best time?

Swift Moving

1) Abby Trader, 12, Megan Cassidy, 12, Paige Pizer, and Terra Norman, 12, take their place at the starting line. 2) Terra Norman, 12, sprints past the competition. 3) Paige Pizer, 10, goes head to head with the challengers. 4) Paige Pizer, 10, pushes herself forward. 5) Paige Pizer, 10, takes on her competition face to face. 6) The team gathers for a pep talk before the start of the race. 7) Megan Cassidy, 12, runs hard as she can. Photos by Jillian Talley



Senior, Sierra King, runs the field hoping to take first place. The girls finished the season with a 5-2 overall and 5-2 DAC record. Photo by Jillian Talley.



Close BONDS

Cross country is about reaching goals and pushing yourself to the limits. But this year the team was a little different. They were closer than ever before.

"I joined cross country because I saw how close the team was and how they grew as a team. As a runner, you know the pain each of our fellow runners endures, and I could not ask for more from a sport," freshman Erin Reynolds said.

The girls were not just teammates; they were friends.

"The people on the team inspired me to join," senior Megan Cassidy said.

They supported each other and helped each other through the season.

"My favorite thing about this season is that we grew so close. We were not just a team, we are a family," sophomore Keanna Crum said.

The girls made it all the way to state this season. Some could say that being so close as a team enabled them to further them in the competition.

The girls did not just run this year, they were each others inspiration, for present and future runners.

Story by Kaylee Nugent

Gavit Invite 2nd Place
Merrillville 20-45 W
Harrison Invite 5th Place
Crown Point 24-33 W
LaPorte 20-43 W
Lowell Jr Invite 2nd Place
Michigan City W

Chesterton W
New Prairie Invite
7th Place
Valparaiso 24-33 L
Lake Central 33-27 L
Culver Invite 17th Place
DAC Meet - 4th Place,

JV First Place
Sectional 2nd Place
Regional 2nd Place
State 17th of 24 Teams

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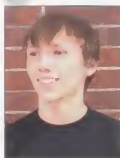
What's your best swing?

The yearbook staff asked the players for their favorite swing (forehand, backhand, volley, serve, overhead, or smash).



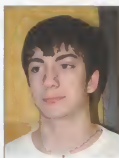
"I prefer my backhand more than my forehand, because it is more controlled and accurate."

Shub Multani, 12



"My forehand swing is my best swing."

Patrick Derr, 11



"My favorite swing is the serve because it helps win a lot of quick double points."

Jeff McElfresh, 11



"My forehand with topspin is my best swing."

Matt Timmons, 10

Swing Away

- 1) Conner Haupt, 11, plays at the net.
- 2) Patrick Derr, 11, hits the ball.
- 3) John Fannin, 10, is hitting the ball.
- 4) Andrew Malarik, 10, smashes the ball.
- 5) Tyler Soberg, 11, is waiting for the match to start.
- 6) Shub Multani, 12, is hitting the ball.
- 7) The team is lined up to meet their opponents.
- 8) Zach Smith, 11, is about to hit the ball.

Photos by Jillian Talley and Nyla Owens



It's not easy being the BEST

This year the Portage tennis team had the best record out of the fall season. The tennis team consisted of 20 wins and 11 losses.

"It's always great to be on top," junior Patrick Derr said.

The season had many awesome accomplishments. One of many great wins was against Chesterton. The tennis team was very pleased to have this win.

"Our juniors and seniors are all very good leaders with very tough attitudes. I believe this is one of the major reasons why we had such a successful season," sophomore Nick Jordan said.

The team had a lot of fun together. Most of them were friends with each other before coming in to the tennis program, so they got along very well.

"Out of all my sporting experience, I have never been on a team that had such great chemistry," junior Jeff McElfresh said.

The tennis team only had two seniors. The two seniors were Shubhannan Multani and Zac Lundy.

"It was kind of tough having to lead the team but the team listened and it went very smoothly," Lundy said.

Chesterton's record was the best record of the season. They had a record of 20 wins and 11 losses. They were the only team to have a record of 20 wins and 11 losses.

The tennis team had a great season. They had a record of 20 wins and 11 losses. They were the only team to have a record of 20 wins and 11 losses. Portage expects Coach Gary Hayer and Coach Joe White to keep the tennis team moving forward.

"These coaches will take the high school tennis program to a new level," Multani said.

The tennis team will be making a statement again next year.

"Everybody worked very hard for our wins and we are looking forward to next year," Coach White said.

Story by Mariah Wright

Sophomore Blake Lodgson is awaiting the ball. His opponent is from Valparaiso. Photo by Jillian Talley



Varsity

Hobart 5-0 W
Lake Station 5-0 W
Griffith 3-2 W
Lowell cancelled
Morton 5-0 W
Lake Station 5-0 W
LaPorte 1-4 L
Michigan City 5-0 W
Lake Central 0-5 L

Wheeler 3-2 L
Crown Point 0-5
Merrillville 3-2 W
Chesterton 4-1 W
Valparaiso 1-4 L
Calumet 5-0 W
Kankakee Valley 4-1 W
LaPorte 4-1 W
DAC 4-2
Overall 12-4

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Hobart 4-1 W
Lake Station 5-0 W
Griffith 3-0 W
Lowell cancelled
Morton 4-1 W
Lake Station 3-0 W
LaPorte 2-4 L
Michigan City 5-0 W
Lake Central 0-5

Wheeler 3-2 L

Crown Point 2-3 L
Merrillville 2-3 L
Chesterton 2-3 L
Valparaiso 0-5 L
Calumet 5-0 W
Kankakee Valley 4-1 W
Andean 5-0 W
DAC 2-4
Overall 9-7

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Boone Grove
224-224 W
Wheeler
224-234 W
Chesterton
215-170 L
Merrillville
205-219 W
Lake
Central 225-
160 L

Hobart 196-
218 W
Hanover
Central 196-
222 W
Valparaiso
207-167 L
Crown Point
230-180 L
LaPorte 213-
196 L

Michigan
City 202-218
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Lowell
forfeit W
Wheeler
209-244 W
DAC 2-5
Overall 8-5

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Results



Freshman Alicia Woods watches others as she awaits her turn on the course. This was Wood's first year on the team. Photo by HR Imaging

swinging BACK

The golf team is the only sport that has to go to a different place their sport. They go to Robin Hurst course to practice and to have their meets.

Even though it seems like a pain to have to go somewhere else, most of the players liked it.

"I like it because there was a lot more room," Alicia Wood, 9, said. Other girls like having their practice at Robin Hurst because it was course.

"It was a really nice and clean," Kaitlyn Bohlim, 9, said.

The team was also allowed to be able to practice any time since they were able to use the golf course.

"Robin Hurst is a good golfing facility," Autumn Stevenson, 10, said.

Some girls got dressed on the bus but most of them got dressed before or after the bus ride. Stevenson and Gabby Ziulkowski and were the main two girls who got dressed on the bus. The freshmen got dressed a few times.

The team also got a new coach this season. Coach Bryan Tyman was the new coach.

"I had him as an eighth grade teacher so it was nice to reconnect with him," Jessica Morris, 12, said.

The girls like Coach Tyman as their coach a lot this year.

"Coach pushed us to do well this year and he was very supportive," Stevenson said.

Story by Mariah Wright

Hole in One

1) Autumn Stevenson, 10, is in mid-swing. 2) Mackenzie Barcelli, 11, is putting. 3) Alex Samuels, 9, is lining up her ball. 4) Gabby Ziulkowski, 10, hits the golf ball. 5) Alicia Woods, 9, is about to hit the ball. Photos provided by HR Imaging



What's your favorite CLUB?

The yearbook staff asked the golfers which of their clubs was their favorite



"I like my driver because I can hit that thing super far!"
Mackenzie Barcelli,
11



"My favorite is my seven iron because I can always depend on hitting the ball well with it."
Lauren Murray, 11



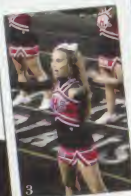
"My ninth iron is my favorite club."
Morgan Knight, 9



"My favorite is my seven iron and my putter."
Gabby Ziulkowski,
10

High Spirits

- 1) Alexis Pena, 9, and Karlee Robinson, 9, pump up the basketball crowd. 2) Erica Gaffney, 12, cheers for football fans.
- 3) Bre Beal, 12, leads the student section during a home football game.
- 4) The girls perform one of their stunts.
- 5) Taylor Colbert, 10, looks on during a basketball game.
- 6) The girls perform the Go Big Red cheer.
- 7) Two of the girls take a break during half time. Photos by Jillian Talley



Courtside Style

What is your favorite type of cheer?

Bre Beal, 12



Rumble

Jumps



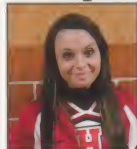
Emily Jahoda, 11

Taylor Colbert, 10



Hey Red
let's fight

Jumps



Summer Nafus, 11

Seniors Kayla Mischke, Bre Beal and Erica Gaffney and freshman Alexis Pena all start up the game with an inspirational cheer for the crowd. The entire team made this a season to remember. Photo by Jillian Talley



Split IN Two

The cheer team went through some different changes this year. Instead of the regular one season year, the team was split in to two seasons.

Instead of having the football and basketball season combined, they separated them, giving the girls a whole new challenge to embark on.

"With two seasons it gives people an opportunity to do other things if they don't want to cheer for a full year, but it is also irritating because you have to participate in two seasons to letter," sophomore Ashley Barnas said.

One of the biggest challenges this year for the girls was having to lose people and gain new members with such short notice.

"Since we got new members, we had to completely start over. We had to go back and learn the routine for the new girls. We also can't compete since we don't have enough time to practice because of the split," sophomore Taylor Colbert said.

This year the team had to go through some major changes. Even though they lost some of their best girls, they gained girls with just as much heart.

Even with blood, sweat, and tears, the tough times have pushed the girls into being some of the best athletes they can be. The teams hard work has paid off.

Story by Kaylee Nugent

Q with the captain of the cheerleaders

&A What is the most difficult part of being captain?

"The fact that when something goes wrong, I'm the one who gets blamed for it. Even if it may be not be all my fault."

Explain what it takes in order to lead a team.

"Leading a team is very rewarding because it was nice to know they voted me and wanted me as their captain."



Bre Beal, 12

The Poms team performs a routine at the Portage v. Crown Point game. This was Portage's homecoming game. Photo by Jillian Talley



At it AGAIN

Last year's dance team did not compete because they were transitioning to the athletic department, so it was rough going through that transition on top of getting new coaches.

Their head coach is Rene Sabinas, who had a baby last year. Her son, Eli, comes to practice with her and watches the girls practice their routines.

This year the dance team received a new assistant coach named Amy Ruiz. She was on the dance team when she attended Portage High School.

Both coaches have different styles than the Indiana High School Dance Team Association, so it was hard for them to come up with a dance routine.

"We had to learn and work hard to get on

the same page," senior Britany Munster said.

The girls were very excited to be able to compete this year and they were ready to make a statement. They placed second in their first competition at Munster.

"I'm excited to go back and try harder with all the changes we are making and try for first," freshman Amber Young said after their first competition.

The girls are happy they are competing and although they know it is not the same as it was, they are accepting the new changes that the new seasons have had.

Story by Mariah Wright

What gets you THROUGH IT?



"I think of how it's my last year so I have to make the best out of it and just have fun with it."

Monica Diaz, 12

The *first* STEP

*Why did
you
decide
to join
the Poms
Team?*



"I saw the girls dance and they were good back in the day."
Julijana Zatorski, 10



"I joined to the team because I just had a love for dance."
Mackenzie Widener, 11



"I really like to dance and thought it would be fun to perform at games."
Kassidy Cherry, 9

Pump It Up

1) The Poms team performs their routine on the football field. 2) Lisa Cruz, 12, and Kassidy Cherry, 9, are dancing. 3) Julijana Zatorski, 10, is in line during a routine. 4) Sydney Goetschel, 12, performs a dance move. 5) The team is doing a routine. 6) POMS is doing a routine with pom-poms. 7) POMS show off their pom-poms. Photos by Jill Talley and Rachel Santos



Shooting Hoops

1. Michael Lattanzi, 10, gets ready to take a shot.
2. Tyler Gonzalez, 11, attempts to make the basket.
3. Peter Psomadelis, 10, runs the court in practice.
4. The team practices their shooting.
5. Joey Roman, 10, tries to get the ball from the opposing team.
6. The boys support their team from the sideline.
7. Tyler Gonzalez, 11, goes to make his shot.

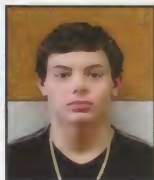
Photos by: Nick Jordan



Dance

As a way to "bond," the team would often spend time playing "Just Dance." Check out the players' best moves.

Peter Psomadelis, 10



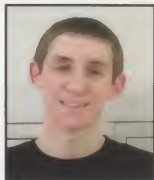
Girlfriend

Dougie



(Undespited Just Dance King)
David Jercha, 12.

Luke Kizer, 10



Duets

Senior David Jercha takes a shot from the free throw line. They finished with a 1-22 season and a DAC record of 0-14. Photo by Nyla Owens



Starting FRESH

The beginning of the season was just like any other. Then something changed.

This season there is only one freshman player on the varsity team.. The freshman is Jordan Collazo.

"I feel very accomplished being on the varsity team, I've been working at it for a long time," said Collazo.

To be a newcomer and playing on the Varsity is such a privilege, and it shows how hard an individual must work to get to the top.

All of Collazo's dedication and hard-work paid off. He not only gets to play with the the upperclassmen but he is learning new things along the way.

"It was really awesome to find out that I was the only freshman playing on the varsity team, I felt really good about it," said Collazo.

It was not an easy ride getting to be to where he was now, but he did it. Collazo overcame many obstacles through out the season.

Story by Kaylee Nugent

Highland 44-66 L
Crown Point 47-80 L
Crown Point 34-63 L
Michigan City 41-56 L
Merrillville 47-75 L
Merrillville 45-49 L
Hobart 45-44 W
Valparaiso 32-62 L
Sectional MC L 30-46

Valparaiso 34-55 L
Boone Grove 38-53 L
LaPorte 46-59 L
Chesterton 40-66 L
Chesterton 39-58 L
LaPorte 30-56 L
Lake Central 42-85 L
Kankakee Valley 42-47
Alcoa 44-55 L

Lake Central 40-62 L
Muncie Burriss 67-77 L
Michigan City 38-49 L

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Future Hoops

- 1) Blake Logsdon, 10, gets ready to pass the ball.
 - 2) Oliver Bishop, 10, wants to receive the pass.
 - 3) David Clegg, 10, tries to get the basket.
 - 4) De'Juan Nelson, 10, and Jordan Collazo, 9 watch and wait for the ball to come their way.
- Photos by Rachel Santos and Nick Jordan



BRING *it* ON

"This season has been different because the competition has been so much more intense, and with the teams being more competitive it made me feel like I was becoming a better basketball player competing against them."

Joey Roman, 10

Sophomore Joey Roman prepares to take a shot. The boys overall season record finished with 8-10 and a DAC record of 4-10. Photo by Nick Jordan



Love of the GAME

Some play for the competition, some play to be active, but some play for a deeper meaning.

"When I was five my uncle and my father would practice playing basketball with me, and they were the ones who inspired me to play," sophomore Cody Maldonado said.

Maldonado has been playing throughout his entire school career. Basketball has helped him in more than one way.

"Playing a sport such as basketball, keeps me in shape and helps me build the skills I will need in life," Maldonado said.

Not only does Maldonado stay active but he also can maintain good grades and also plays baseball and football.

Playing basketball

much more than just a game. Maldonado said, "Basketball is a game that is complete in itself." Maldonado said.

As the season came to a close, Maldonado knew that this was going to be one of his most beneficial and influential seasons.

"I will probably miss the games the most just being on the court doing what I love," Maldonado said.

Maldonado is part of a team that finished their season with a 8-10 record and a DAC record of 4-10.

Story by Kaylee Nugent

Highland 33-27 W
Michigan City 30-37 L
Hobart 44-36 W
Valparaiso 37-41 L
LaPorte 41-37 W
Chesterton 32-40 L
Lake Central 23-57 L
Crown Point 28-29 L
Merrillville 31-28 W

Valparaiso 41-44 L
Boone Grove 38-18 W
Chesterton 49-44 W
LaPorte 32-34 L
Kankakee Valley 48-33 W
Lake Central 21-44 L
Michigan City 44-38 W
Crown Point 24-37 L
Merrillville 37-49 L

Results

Show Me Your Statistics

The girls' statistics of their made free throws from their games

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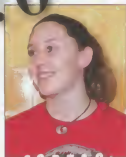
Freshman Kaitlin Doud

21



Jounior Hannah Glos

70



Jounior Nicki Monahan

21



Sophomore Alexis Johnson

Hoop It Up

1) Alexis Johnson, 10, looks at a player throwing the ball inbounds. 2) Hannah Glos, 11, passes the ball to another teammate. 3) Heather Zengler looks to rebound the ball. 4) Alyssa Tampier, 11, shoots a free throw. 5) Sierra Piro, 10, guards an opponent. 6) Stephanie Upton, 11, shoots a free throw. Photos by Nyla Owens



Junior Nicki Monahan dribbles the ball down the court. The girls played Lake Central that night. Portage won 57-51. Photo by Nyta Owens.



sweet smell of VICTORY

The girls' basketball team struggled with wins, but their most prized win came against Lake Central. The girls were excited to get this win.

"I think one of our hardest games was against Lake Central. Everyone had been scoring and playing as a team," senior Alex Bustos said.

Every member of the team helped in the win against Lake Central. Junior Nicki Monahan had 28 points, junior Alyssa Tampier had 13 points, and both sophomore Alexis Johnson and freshman Kailin Doud added five points. Junior Hannah Glos and Tampier had seven rebounds.

"During the Lake Central game, every single girl was involved on or off the court," senior Allison Graveline said.

The girls beat Lake Central 57-51. The girls fought very hard to get the win. The team used different components in the game, including playing well on offense and defense.

"People stepped up and did some great things," Tampier said.

The coaches were pleased to get the win against Lake Central. They thought the girls did a great job.

The girls' basketball team finished around the district championship. Seibert said.

The second time the girls played Lake Central they lost. The team was disappointed in the overall wins of the season, but the team was happy about the win against Lake Central.

Story by Mariah Wright

Varsity
Hammond High
52-24 W
East Chicago
Central 54-46 W
Crown Point 40-51
L
Merrillville 50-58 L
Hobart 39-42 L

Michigan City 40-
59 L
Valparaiso 39-45 L
LaPorte 40-48 L
Chesterton 45-31
W
Crown Point 36-51
L
Columbia City 31-

36 L
Andean 38-27 W
Northridge 51-56 L
Hobart 50-66 L
Lake Central 57-51
W
Merrillville 40-63 L
Valparaiso 38-43 L
Chesterton 35-50 L

Michigan City 47-
54 L
LaPorte 37-40 L
Munster 42-20 W
Lake Central 36-55
L
DAC 2-12
Overall 5-18

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JV
Hammond High 40-6 W
East Chicago Central 37-24 W
Crown Point 32-34 L
Merrillville 26-22 W
Hobart 28-33 L
Michigan City 42-47 L
Valparaiso 25-31 L

LaPorte 38-10 W
Chesterton 24-25 L
Crown Point 35-27 L
Lake Central 31-45 L
Merrillville 33-39 L
Valparaiso 24-19 L
Chesterton 24-28 L
Michigan City 33-25 W
LaPorte 48-27 W
Munster 30-16 W

Lake Central 21-38 L
DAC XXX
Overall XXX
Freshman
Hammond Academy 22-26 L
Crown Point (A) 23-29 L (B) 12-29 L
Lake Central 11-41 L
Highland 18-29 L

Merrillville (A) 34-17 W (B) 2-0
(B) 9-3 W
Valparaiso (A) 14-24 L (B) 12-15 L
Chesterton 18-31 L
Lake Central (A) 11-50 L (B) 8-14 L
Hobart 43-27 W
Michigan City 29-20 W
Crown Point (A) 33-20 W (B) 2-0
Merrillville 33-20 W
Munster 29-35 L
Michigan City 35-25 W
Valparaiso 22-40 L
Chesterton 16-40 L
DAC 7-10
Overall 8-13



Sophomore Salina McConnell dribbles the ball down the court. The girls played against East Chicago Central. They won 37-24. Photo by Nyta Owens.

switching GOALS

The freshman girls basketball team had certain goals the team had to reach.

The girls set the goals a little after the middle of the season. They set the goals because they would lose games by a few points, being carried away and not scoring baskets in 20-30 games.

"We would get carried away," freshman Malia Allen said. "We would be carried away from shots, fouls, and turnovers. We had a lot of turnovers, better communication, and focus out. By the end of the season, they came together as a team and accomplished their goals."

"Towards the end we put our effort together and accomplished our goals," freshman Jessenia Tribble said.

The girls played well their last few games. They beat top rivals Crown Point, Merrillville, and Michigan City.

"We started winning towards the end and that was when we all came together," freshman Krystle Allison said.

They all came together and performed as a team after making the goals. The goals ended up helping the team get better by the end of the year.

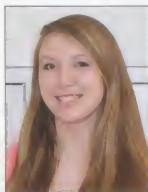
Story by Mariah Wright

AHH memories

The girls basketball girls told us some of their best memories.



"It was our last practice before sectionals and me, Asia [Jones], Salina [McConnell], and Julissa [Martinez] were on the shoot away and weren't paying attention and the ball shot out and hit Julissa in the face," Sophomore Lindsay Givens said.



"I loved being in the locker room after practice everyday with all the girls. We all treated each others like sisters, which also means we fought a lot, but I loved every second of being with everyone," Freshman Kiley Jones said.



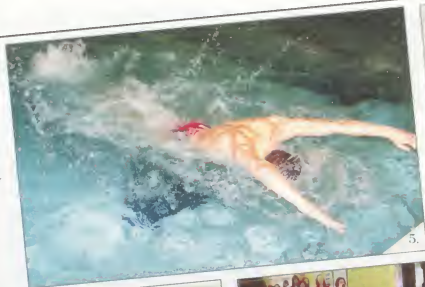
Moving Up

- 1) Jory Piner, 9, sets a pick for a teammate.
 - 2) Asia Jones, 9, passes the ball to a teammate.
- Photos by Nyla Ownes

Free Style

- 1) Thomas Janes, 10, does the butterfly stroke.
- 2) John Fannin, 10, prepares to jump off the diving board.
- 3) Cole Ozbolt, 11, gets ready to start the race.
- 4) The team gets ready to make a splash for warm ups.
- 5) The boys walk to the pool.
- 6) Jeremy Mendoza, 11, takes position on the starting board.
- 7) Thomas Janes, 10 jumps into the water.

Photos by Kacie McGuire and Hannah Dorman



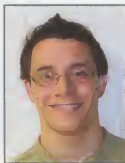
The Way You Move

What is your favorite stroke or dive?



"My favorite dive is the reverse 1 1/2 1 1/2, because it's the dive Alex Bach did and he set the record. And I feel accomplished doing it as a sophomore."

John Fannin, 10



"My best dive is the reverse 1 1/2 1 1/2. It is my favorite because it is the most challenging dive."

Alex Rosales, 11



"My favorite stroke is the butterfly because it is the easiest one to do."

Thomas Janes, 10

Sophomore Thomas Janes swims the butterfly stroke. The swimming and diving team finished their season with a 6-4 record and a DAC record of 3-4. Photo by Hannah Dorman



BALD Beginnings

Every team has something unique that only they do. The swimming team does something very extreme.

Around the time of sectionals the boys dye their hair bleach blonde, and then for sectionals they shave their head completely bald.

The reason behind this is that it has been a tradition for the team. It is something interesting for the boys to do to bond and become a whole.

"Traditions can keep a team together and it is a fun event for everyone involved," said junior Jeremy Menodoza.

Many of the boys enjoy being able to participate in such an extreme team bonding situation.

"It's cool to be part of a tradition that has been going on for so long," said sophomore Patrick Sobkowski.

Not only does shaving their heads look cool and let people know that they are part of the swim team, it also benefits them.

"When your swimming the hair on your body catches on the water, if you shave all the hair off, the water just slides along your body, making you a faster swimmer," said sophomore John Whitney.

Having the fastest times in swimming is essential to a swimmer. Being a participant in something so different, and being able to improve skills for the sport is very helpful for the team.

Most of the team enjoyed dying and shaving their heads and hope that the tradition will last for a very long time.

Story by Kaylee Nugent

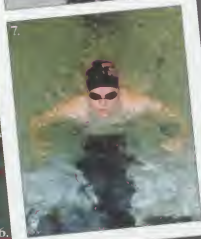
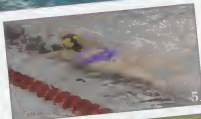
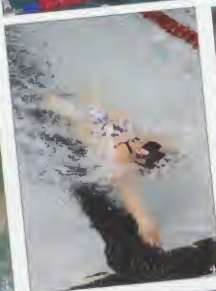
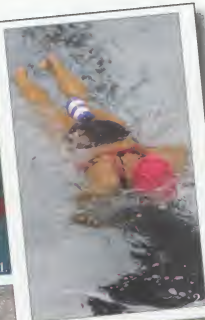
Merrillville 132-52 W
Munster Relay 3rd Place
LaPorte 137-40 W
Highland 89-97 W
Michigan City 120-65 W
Calumet 88-50 W
Wheeler 131-51 W
Crown Point 86-100 L
Valparaiso 84-102 L

LaPorte 5th Place

Results

Stroke of Genius

1) Sierra King, 12, jumps off of the diving board. 2) Emery Beltran, 9, swims under the water. 3) Courtney Joesph, 10, comes out of the water to take a breath. 4) Jordan Simmons, 12, swims to the end of the lane. 5) Courtney Joesph, 10, swims under the water. 6) Jordan Simmons, 12, practices her technique. 7) Alexis Roddington, 12, takes a break from swimming. Photos by Hannah Dorman and Kacie McGuire



Which is BEST?

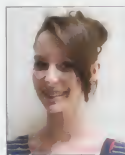
This year swimming and diving team told us which team was better.



"Swimming is better because it takes more athletic ability."
Morgan Knight, 9



"Diving is because you are always doing something and you never get bored."
Hannah Trader, 9



"I think swimming is because you are in the water more so you don't get cold."
Holly Bussler, 9

Freshman Emery Beltron swims to the other side of the pool during practice for the swim team. The team had 8 wins throughout the season. Photo by Kacie McGuire



stroke by STROKE

Senior Sierra King was the only girl swimmer to go to state. She has been a swimmer for ten years and has always loved to swim. Her mom put her in swimming when she was little. When she entered high school she was excited to swim.

"She really deserved going to state because she is such a hard worker," sophomore Jordan Parker said.

State was held on Feb. 10 and 11 in Indianapolis. King placed 22nd at state and felt that she did not do as well as she could have.

King won all her sectional events all four years of her high school career. Her career best finish was in the 100 breast stroke and time was one minute and 7.07 seconds.

"The team helped me keep going but I just have a love for the sport," King said.

King does plan on continuing her swimming career.

Story by Mariah Wright

Swimming

Hobart 138-44 W
Lake Central 45-138 L
Merrillville 105-80 W
LaPorte 112-68 W

Highland 108-77 W
Michigan City 99-86 W
Clumet 115-44 W
Wheeler 85-91 L
Crown Point 65-120 L

Valparaiso 71-109 L
Chesterton 45-140 L
DAC 3-4
Overall 6-5

Diving

Chesterton 54-0 W
Merrillville 33-36 L

Michigan City 84-0 W
LaPorte 47-27 W
Overall 3-1
DAC 3-1

Results

On The Mat

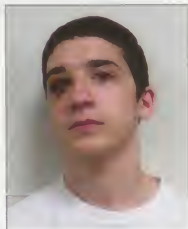
- 1) Steven Ford, 9, tries to get out of a move by his opponent.
- 2) Jake Wright, 11, prepares to take on his opponent.
- 3) Johnny Duque, 10, gets ready to begin.
- 4) Chris Brock, 12, circles around his opponent.
- 5) Roberto Espinosa, 11, tries to pin his opponent.
- 6) Justin Hall, 10, gets ready to begin.
- 7) Devin Calmbacher, 9, prepares to take on his opponent.

Photos by Mariah Wright



How do you STAY IN SHAPE?

This year wrestling team told us how they stayed in shape.



"When I don't have practice, I go running or to the gym to stay in shape."

Eric Peek, 10



"I stayed in shape by going to all the practices and watching what I eat."

Tyler Albee, 12

Junior Julian Torres gets ready to pin his opponent. His opponent is from Merrillville. The team lost 33-36. Photo by Mariah Wright



STEPPING out of the boundaries

The wrestling coaches stepped a new coaching staff. Their head coach was Eric Leroy Vega. Assistant coaches for varsity were Coaches Pat Wilkins, Eric Keith, Tony Alaniz, Eric Galka, and Glen Ballor.

Assistant coaches for junior varsity were Tom Baulos and Jose Torres.

Although Vega was new to the coaching staff at Portage High School, many boys knew him.

"I've been watching him wrestle," said a senior.

Vega is a former state wrestling champion. He was a member of the team when he was a senior at Portage High School. He joined the team this year because he was coaching.

"I loved our coaches this year," senior Tyler Albee said.

The coaches focused on certain weight classes to help the wrestlers. This helped the coaches by letting them use their skills in that weight class and teaching the rest of the team.

"I hope to be a coach," said a wrestling staff member.

By Mariah Wright

Varsity
Chesterton 33-
27 W
Merrillville 28-
34 L
Michigan City
77-0 W

Valparaiso 40-
13 W
LaPorte 41-19 W
DAC 4-1
Overall 16-7
Junior Varsity
Chesterton 54-0

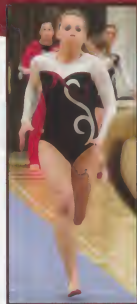
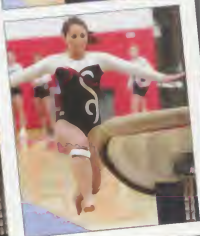
W
Merrillville 33-
36 L
Michigan City
84-0 W
LaPorte 47-27
W

Overall 3-1
DAC 3-1

Results

Balancing Well

1) The gymnastics team before a meet. 2) Ali Johnson, 12, does her routine on the vault. 3) Danielle Solis, 10, does a flip on the vault. 4) Madison Kurtz, 9, does her routine on bars. 5) Mackenzie Barcelli, 11, does her floor routine. 6) Lyndsey Cunningham, 11, preparing for the vault. 7) Madeline Solis, 12, prepares to do her vault routine. Photos by Steven Saylor, Jillian Talley and Collin Czilli



"Finding out we were making it to state as a team was amazing. It was our goal all year, and we were all excited to be out on the floor competing together instead of sitting in the stands watching."
Lyndsey Cunningham, 11

"I was very excited that we could make it to state for my senior year. It was a great ending to my senior year."
Madeline Solis, 12

"I was so proud of everyone! I couldn't believe it! To know that we would be representing ourselves and our school at the biggest competition of the year was an unforgettable feeling of accomplishment! It is something I will never forget."
Ali Johnson, 12

The Road to STATE

Varsity

Lake Central 108.57 W
Michigan City 110.05 W
LaPorte 109.2 W
Crown Point 109.775 W
Merrillville Invite 1st

Place

Hobart 108.4 W
Washington Township 108.4 W
Merrillville 111.425 W
Lowell 112.25 W
Chesterton 111.9 W
DAC Meet 2nd Place

Overall 10-1

JV

Lake Central 26.67 L
Merrillville 76.85 W
Lowell 46.9 W
Chesterton 72.95 W
Overall 2-1

Results



Freshman Madison Kurtz does her routine on the vault. Kurtz went to the state with gymnastics team. Photo by Steven Saylor

Before the BEAM

Vault, bars and floor routines helped the gymnastic girls get to state as a team for the first time in 37 years. The varsity team was close to being undefeated but found their way to Indianapolis to compete with teams throughout the state.

"I was excited especially because our whole team was going. I haven't been there with the team before so I knew it was going to be a new experience," junior Mackenzie Barcelli said.

For many of the girls it was their first year going as a team to state. Barcelli states that it was amazing to know so many people were supporting them and standing by them throughout the season.

Also, the team has broken a few records and sophomore Danielle Solis placed third

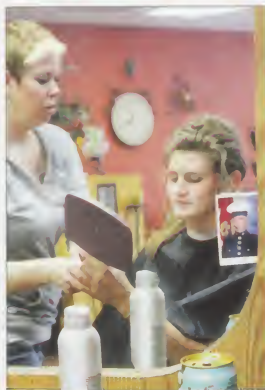
The girls will be competing in each other do their personal best in the meet.

"We all worked hard and pushed ourselves and each other so that we could get there," freshman Madison Kurtz said.

Story by Kirsten DeMass



Senior Riley Thompson and junior Patrick Derr superfan during a volleyball game. Photo by Jillian Talley



Junior Morgan Kilgore gets her hair done at Salon 360 for the prom fashion show. Photo by Kirsten DeMass

Give yourself an Applause

The school has many talented students who have achieved more than expected this year. At the start of the year there was a new mascot appointed. Senior Gabe Acevado took the stand and became more than what anyone has expected.

Also, two teams went to state as a team. The dance team was like a family and held many memories through the season.

"I remember everyone started crying right before we performed because it was our last time dancing together," senior Alexandra Pratt said.

This was Pratt's last year of dancing and the memories and relationships will stay with her for the rest of her life.

The gymnastics team also went to state this year and had sophomore Danielle

Solis place third on vault and the team placed fourth.

"What helped us get to state was everyone stepping up and adding new skills and cleaning up everything we could. We had to make sure we hit as much as we could and consistently," Solis said.

Not only were sports extraordinary, but two seniors were recognized as top journalists in the state. Rachel Santos and Kirsten DeMass worked for the spots that they were congratulated for.

"I liked representing Portage journalism because I feel as though we focus on other things and it was nice to let everyone know that there are more than just sports at PHS," Santos said.

Story by Kirsten DeMass



1] Seniors Arthur Anguiano and Aaron Lopez practice the dance for OYM. 2] Sophomore Alex Abasi wrapping gifts for the holidays. 3] Seniors Sydney Goetschel and Kayla Mischke do the senior dance during the pep rally.

Say It Yourself

SENIORS

Class of 2012

Gabriel Acevedo
Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 9;
School Mascot 12
Devin Adams
ROTC 9, 10, 11, 12 (Operations Officer);
Spanish Club 9, 10; Student Council 9, 10
Jessica Adcock

Tyler Albee
Michael Allbritten
Deborah Allcock

Ashlee Allen
Football Manager 11; HOSA 11
Kayla Allen
Poms 10; Tennis 11
Laurny Ayres
Choir 9, 10, 11, 12; Cheerleaders 10, 11,
12; Junior Miss 11; Spring Musical 12

Arthur Anguiano
Cross Country 10, 11, 12; Track & Field
9, 10, 12; Wrestling 9
Mariah Armstrong
Jacob Arnn

Bethany Ayres
Alec Ayres
Shelby Bailey
Cheerleading 9, 10, 11, 12; Gymnastics 9

Jessica Barrett
Taylor Bayre
Captain's Council 11, 12; Swimming &
Diving 9, 10, 11, 12 (Captain)
Breanna Beul
Cheerleading 9, 10, 11, 12; Junior Miss 11

Alexis Becerra
Stephanie Benjamin
Kevin Bennett



The Journey

we took to get where we're at now

Four seniors tell their best and worst memories of school.

"Going to PHS was kind of like spending four years in a paint store, in that even though I got what I wanted, through all the effort and thought, it was all for something that goes on my wall, nobody really cares about and is essentially worthless once I leave."

Hunter Johnson, 12

"My best memories from PHS come from marching band. I have not just learned a lot, but it allowed me to build character and experience. I had so much fun in the activity, and it is a really great program. I do not really have a worst memory of PHS."

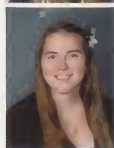
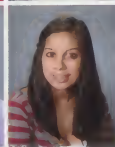
Zach Laskovich, 12

"My best memory is the Orchestra field trips. The worst moment of my life is probably when I lost to Morgan Jackson for Vice President."

Megan Cassidy, 12

"NHS Inductions last year was my best memory, and losing sectionals to Valpo for two years back to back was my worst memory."

Zac Lundy, 12



Trisha Bennett
Greg Bernard
Alvin Best
Basketball 9, 10; Captain's Council 11, 12; Football 9, 10, 11, 12; Track & Field 9, 10, 11, 12
Hollis Bingham
Donald Birch
Annie Club 12; Chess Club 12
Jonah Bishop
Basketball 9
Danielle Black
Fall Play 11, 12; Junior Mascot, Orchestra 9, 10, 11, 12; Student Council 9, 11, 12; Four Wives Radio 11, 12
Nakiel Blackwell
Robert Blackwell
Cross Country 9, 10, 11, 12; Track & Field 9, 10, 11, 12; Wrestling 9, 10, 12
Anna Blazak
Academic Team 12
Raven Blevins
Joel Bogdan
Ashley Bonzani
Choir 9, 10, 11, 12; FJHS 11, 12; French Club 9, 10; NHS 11, 12; Student Council 9, 10, 11, 12
Secretaries
Jacob Bothwell
Sara Bottari
Four Wives 12
Jeffrey Bowen
Secretary
Hayley Bradford
Junior Mascot 11; Four Wives 11; Swimming & Diving 10
Aza Brenner
Art Club 10, 11, 12; Campus Life 9, 10, 11; Junior Mascot 11; Volleyball 9

Wisdom from the Seniors

HEY SENIORS: If you could give the underclassmen one piece of advice, what would it be?

"High School is like a sewer. You only get out of it what you put into it."

Josh Sullivan, 12

"Stop complaining about all the work. Enjoy the school life and your friends. School can be a great experience if you have the right attitude."

Donovan Cole, 12

"Keep your head up high, you'll go through some tough times in high school, but in the end it'll be an experience that will help you grow and develop into an adult."

Cody Mitchell, 12

"My most important advice to freshman would be do NOT take Calculus your senior year."

James Brasseur, 12

Cor Bracer
James Brasseur
Captain's Council 12;
Football 9, 10; Golf 9, 10, 11,
12; OWM 12; Quia Book 11
Katrena Bretzinger
ROTC 9, 10, 11, 12; Student
Council 10, 11
Christopher Brock
Football 9, Wrestling 9,
10, 12
Andrew Brown
Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12;
Captain's Council 12
Jayshon Brown

Jillian Brown
Jordan Browning
Joseph Brozik
Band 9
Sheri Brunker
Fall Play 12; ROTC 9, 10
Christopher Bruno
Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12
Shelby Bryniarski
Athletic Training 9, 10, 11,
12; Pow Wow 11, 12; Soccer
11, 12
Katelyn Buckland
ROTC 9
Jerry Buford
ROTC 9, 10, 11; Track &
Field 9, 10
Jason Bugarin
Football 9
Ian Burke
Baseball 9, 10; Latin Club
11, 12
Paige Burnham
Alexandra Ruston
Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12;
Softball 9; Track and Field 10,
11, 12; Volleyball 9, 10, 11, 12





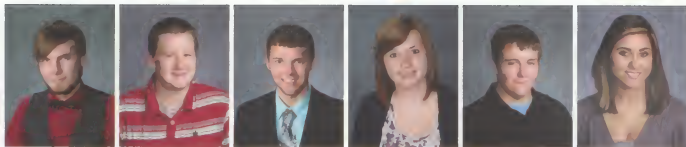
Caitlyn Byrd
Choir 9, Tennis 11, Volleyball 9, 10, 11, 12
Taylor Cable
Academic Team 12, FJHS 11, 12; Junior Mix 11
Academic Award; Orchestra 9, 10, 11, 12; Spring Musical 11; Student Council 11, 12
(Vice President); Swimming & Diving 10
Dylan Cairns
Emil Cakovic-Valentin
Cristiana Camacho
Alexis Carrasco
Stacy Carroll
Choir 9, 10, 11, 12; Jazz Band 11
Kyle Carter
Courtney Cash
Megan Cassidy
Academic Team 9, 10, 11, 12; Choir 9; Vice President; Cross Country 11
12; Fall Play 9, 10, 11, 12; NHS 11
Secretary, 12; Orchestra 9, 10, 11, 12
Laboratory; Recycling 10; Spring Musical 9, 10, 11, 12; Student Council 9, 10, 11, 12; Thespians 9; Track & Field 10, 11, 12; NHS 10
Cystal Castropin
Snow 10, 11, 12; Track & Field 12
Raquel Cervantes
Cross Country 9, 10, 11, 12; Orchestra 9, 10, 11, 12; NHS 9, 10, 11, 12; Track & Field 12

Nicholas Chambers
Joah Cherry
Choir 12; Chordiers 12; Fall Play 11, 12; Football 9, 10; OWM 12; Spring Musical 11, 12; Thespians 11, 12
Kelli Cicilian
Jeremy Clark
Kyle Clay
Megan Clifford
Nichole Cloyd
Basketball 9, 10; Sages 11; Softball 9, 10, 11, 12
Daniel Coffman
Orchestra 9, 10, 11, 12
Donovan Cole
Captain's Council 11, 12; OWM 12; Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12; Track & Field 12
Nelson Collazo
Basketball 9
Christian Colon
Football 9, 10, 11, 12
Jared Colvin

Michelle Comerford
Cortissa Conjouis
Erin Connelly
Travis Conrad
Destiny Cooley
Ashley Cooper
Victoria Cooper
ROTC 9, 10, 11, 12; Public Affairs Officer
Mariah Cormier
Choir 9, 10, 11, 12; Fall Play 11
Adrianna Correa
Cheyenne Crofoot
ROTC 9, 10, 11, 12
Ryan Crum
Band 9, 10; Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12; Swimming & Diving 10; Track & Field 10, 11, 12
Liandro Cruz
HOSA 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Poma 9, 10, 11, 12 (Captain)

Xavier Cruz
Karl Culp
Band 9, 10, 11, 12; BPA 11; German Club 9, 10, 11, 12
Arielle Cummings
Stephanie Cunningham
HOSA 11, 12
Tyler Currin
Dennis Daily

David Davaney
Anime Club 11, 12; Band
9, 10, 11; German Club 12;
Latin Club 12; Marching
Band 9
Robert Davis
Preston Dean
Kayla Dearing
Choir 9, 10, 11, 12
Trey DeJohn
Kimberly Delacruz



Kirsten DeMass
Choir 9; Legend 12
Editor; Power House 11, 12;
Sage 11
Jessica Derose
Kyle Diaz
Monica Diaz
Ruby Diaz
Sierra Diaz
Charity Dill
Devan Doherty
Emily Dominguez
Art Club 12; Band 9, 10; Fall Play
11, 12; Golf 9, 10, 11; Junior Man
11; 4th Runner Up; NHS 11, 12
(Honor); Spring Musical 9, 10, 11,
12; Swimming & Diving 9, 10, 11, 12
Monique Thompson 9, 10, 11, 12
Hannah Dorman
NHS 11, 12; Power House 11, 12; Spring
Musical 11; Swimming & Diving 9,
10, 11, 12
Morgan Dougherty
Band 12; Swimming & Diving 9, 10
Patrick Doyle
Captain's Council 12; Football 9, 10,
11, 12; OWM 12; Track & Field 11



Nichole Drua
Thomas Duff
Football 9, 10, 11, 12; Latin
Club 9, 10, 11, 12; (Treasurer);
Orchestra 9; Track & Field 9, 10,
11, 12; Wrestling 9, 10, 11, 12
Nico Eason
Randall Eaton
Austin Edwards
Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Fall Play 12;
Football 9, 10, 11, 12; Marching
Band 12; NHS 11, 12; Natural
Helpers 11, 12 (Staff); OWM 12;
Track & Field 9
Rikki Eftenoff



Sean Egolf
Kyle Ehlers
Brian Elkins
Katherine Engel
BPA 10, 11; Captain's
Council 12; Cross Country
11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Science
Olympiad 10; Student
Court 12; Track & Field 9,
10, 11, 12
Wesley Engel
Gretchen Escalera



Michael Facoe
Christina Esquivel
Matthew Evans
Chelsea Exl
Keeley Ferguson
Zachary Finger
Logan Fischer
Savannah Fischer
Tracey Flores
Jake Furiembery
Basketball 9; Natural Helpers 11,
12; OWM 12; Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12
Robin Fraley
Choir 9, 10, 11, 12; Spring
Musical 9, 10, 11, 12; Thompson
9, 10, 11, 12
Tyler Franklin
Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Fall Play 12;
Marching Band 12; OWM 12;
Spring Musical 11, 12; Student
Council 11; Thompson 11, 12



The Real Fears of the Real World

What scares you the most about graduating?

"I am scared to do my own laundry next year!"

Kacie McGuire, 12

"Nothing really, I can do laundry and cook so I'll be fine."

Tom Duff, 12

"Being on my own and having to cook for myself."

Haley Sansone, 12

"I fear that I will have to do my own laundry, I don't know how."

Ken Guerra, 12



Anthony Freeman
Track & Field 10, 11, 12
Steven Freeman
Ohlie Freemy
Basketball 9, Captain's Counsel
12, Cressa Courtney 10, Football 9,
11, 12, NHS 12, OWM 12, ROTC
9, 10, 11, 12, Officer's Track &
Field 9, 10, 11, 12, Captain's
Cody Gabriel
Erick Gaffney
Band 9, 10, 11, 12, Cheerleading
9, 10, 11, 12, Junior Mus 11
Trotter, NHS 11, 12
Beatriz Galvan
Athlete Training 10, 11, 12,
Band 9, 10, 11, 12, Junior
Mus 11, Diversity Club 11, 12,
Orchestra 9, 10, 11, 12, Pop Band
9, 10, 11

Eric Gamblin
Alexis Garcia
Christian Garcia
Baseball 9, 10; Soccer 12
Karina Garcia
Mark Garcia
Pablo Garcia

Jeremy Gardner
Katie Garrison
Choir 10; ROTC 9
Alisha Garza
ROTC 9; Speech Team 10
Joshua Garza
Kaitlin Geary
Sumantha Griesman
Basketball 9; Choir 9, 10,
11, 12; HOSA 12; Spring
Musical 11

What do Seniors want to know?

Four seniors tell which one absolute truth they want to know

"What I should do for a career, it bugs me all the time not knowing."

Giovanni Paglicci,
12

"I wish I knew for sure if I will succeed. This whole not knowing the future thing doesn't work well for me."

Jasmine Sleaford,
12

"If I could know anything, I'd want to know how genuine a person is. I wish that I could know peoples' intentions before I let my guard down."

Crystal Woloszyn,
12

"The definition of success. Success means a lot of different things to a lot of different people, and it's what shapes our lives. It's nerve-wracking trying to cover all my bases, because I'm not really far enough along in life to know for sure which definition of success is mine."

Stefanie
Monastyrski, 12

Jada Gilliam

Lydia Gilliam

Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Junior Man
11; Marching Band 9, 10, 11,
12; NHS 11, 12; Pop Band 9,
12; ROTC 9, 10, 12

Sydney Goetschel

Paul Gonzalez

Allison Graveline

Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12; Cheer 9, 10,
11, 12; Laborers; Cheerleaders 12;
Spring Musical 11; Volleyball 9, 10

Rodney Gray

Football 11, 12; Track & Field 12

Valerie Gregorash

Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Fall Plus 9, 10, 11,
12; Junior Man 11; Marching Band 9,
10, 11, 12; Pop Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Spring
Musical 9, 10, 11, 12; Student Government
Thompson 9, 10, 11, 12; Waterman
Secretary, VP Promoting; Waterguard 12

Jeffery Griggs

Jacky Grimalley

Cody Grzesiak

Band 9, 10, 11, 12; French Club 9, 10,
11; Marching Band 9, 10, 11; Pop Band
9, 10; Recycling Club 10, 11; Speech
Club 9, 10, 11; Swimming & Diving 9, 10

Kenneth Guerra

Academic Team 10, 11, 12; Captain;
FLHS 11, 12; Junior Club 10, 11, 12;
Cheerleaders 9, 10, 11; OHS 12; Recycling
Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Sage (Promoter)
Olympiad 9, 10, 11, 12; Speech Club 10;
Student Council 9, 10, 11, 12; Treasurer;
Student Court 10, 11; FHS 10, 11

Logan Gunnim

French Club 10

Savannah Gurley

Anissa Gutierrez

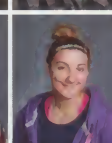
Nickolas Gutierrez

Lauren Haddox

Marie Hallman

FLHS 11, 12; French Club
9, 10; NHS 12

Michael Hammonds





Kimberlin Hare
Abigail Hargarten
Demario Hathorne
Sidney Hawkins
Basketball 9, 10; Choir 9; FLIS 11, 12; HOSA 12
Secretary, Tennis 10, 11
Dana Haywood
David Heck
Latin Club 12; Track & Field 12

Christopher Helminik
Athletic Training 9, 10; Tennis 9, 10
Timothy Herrman
Academic Team 9, 10, 11, 12
Jacob Hill
Matthew Hill
Reno Hilton
Zachary Hinds

Denver Hollifield
Michael Holt
Anime Club 10, 11, 12 (President)
Raven Hopper
Sabrina Hopper
Samantha Hurkeba
Zachary Huisings
Ashley Iuth
Amber Jackson
Javanyce Jackson
Morgan Jackson
Full Flyer 10, 11, 12; Junior Miss 11 (3rd Runner Up); Diversity Club 9; Natural Helpers 11; Pos. Woe 10, 11, 12; Sages 11; Spring Musical 11, 12; Student Council 9, 10, 11, 12 (VP)
Terrell Jackson
Athletic Training 9; Football 12; OWM 12; Track & Field 12
Brett Jacobs
Oscar Jacobs

Anthony Jamka
ROTC 9, 10
Alexandra Janiga
Richard Jeffery
Devon Jeffries
David Jerebin
Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 9, 10, 12; Captain's Council 12; Choir 9; Natural Helpers 11; OWM 12; Pos. Woe 10, 11, 12; Student Council 11

Ali Johnson
Amber Johnson
Art Club 11; HOSA 12; Poms 9, 10; Soccer 10
Hunter Johnson
Jaylyn Johnson
Joseph Johnson
Football 9; OWM 12; ROTC 9, 10, 11, 12 (Sergeant Major, Commanding Officer, Drill Commander)
Tegan Jones
Nikola Kajmukowski
Craig Kallus
Cyle Keece
ROTC 9, 10, 11, 12; Track & Field 10
Megan Keleman
Choir 9, 10, 12; Librarian; Cheerleaders 10, 11, 12 (Librarian); Junior Miss 11; Latin Club 11, 12; NHS 12; Recycling Club 11
Andrew Kemper
Michael Killmer

Nicholas Kincaid
Sierra King
Brittany Kirk
Zachary Kizer
Academic Team 12; French Club 9, 10, 11 (Historian); NHS 12; Orchestra 9; Quiz Bowl 11, 12; Captain; Spell Bowl 12; Captain; Precious Knight
Richard Knoble



Nicholas Komoscar
Robert Kowec
Baseball 9, 10
Christopher Kozlowski
John Kravis
Roeck Krejci
HOSA 12
Brian Krug



Aubrey Lano
Choir 9, 10, 11, 12
Giovanni Laboy
Samantha Laboy
Brad Lafatis
Academic Decathlon 12; BPA 9, 10; German Club 9, 10, 11; Legend 12; NHS 11, 12; Speech Team 11
Angela Lafronza
Brandt Lakomek
Cheerleading 9, 10, 11



Cory Lamping
Captain's Council 11, 12; Cross Country 9, 10, 11, 12; OWM 12; Truck & Field 9, 10, 11, 12
Zachary Laskovich
Jacob Lauritzen
Jessica Lay
David Larson
Natural Helpers 11
Matthew Leucuta
Megan Lewis
Lily Lin
Choir 11, 12; NHS 11, 12; Quiz Bowl 9; Student Council 9, 10, 11, 12 (Je. Treasurer)
Katelyn Lindsey
German Club 10, 11, 12
Karley Lipps
Choir 10, 12; Orchestra 9
Joseph Little
Baseball 9; Captain's Council 10, 11, 12; Football 9, 10, 11, 12; Natural Helpers 11, 12; OWM 12; Truck & Field 9, 10, 11, 12
Amanda Litkow
Choir 9, 10, 11, 12; Orchestra 9



Kurtis Lloyd
Nicholas Longoria
Arnon Lopez
Football 9; Latin Club 12; OWM 12
Daniel Luna
Football 9, 12
Zachary Lundy
Academic Team 11; Captain's Council 12; NHS 11, 12 (President); Tennis 9, 10, 11, 12
Jennifer Lynch
Choir 9, 10, 11, 12



Tierra Maclin
Kayla Mahaffey
Art Club 12
Jessica Malott
Kala Manning
ROTC 9, 10, 11, 12
Rorik Markley-Kolweck
Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12; Pop Band 10; ROTC 9, 10, 11, 12
Travis Marsh
Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 9



What makes you Original?

"I set my own standards. I dress different than others and my whole personna is original."

Alexis Johnson, 12

"My voice the way it is squeaky and nobody talks like me."

Amber Davis, 12



Randi Marshall
Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12; Softball 9, 10; Volleyball 9, 10, 11
Valeria Martinez
Courtney Mason
Choir 9, 10, 11; ROTC 9, 10, 11, 12
Jennifer May
ROTC 9, 10, 11, 12
Robert May
Breanna McCollum
Art Club 10, 11; Legated 12;
Dance Club 9, 10, 11, 12;
Dancer 10; Student Council 10, 11
Ian McDonald
Alexander McGrath
Academic Team 9, 10, 11, 12; Chess Club 12; Track & Field 11
Kacie McGuire
Academic Team 11; Captain's Council 12; Choir 9; Junior Man 11, 12
Worship: NHS 11, 12; 1P; Natural
Hedge 11, 12; Joffrey; Pear Wine 10;
Signs 12; Student Council 10, 11;
Tennis 9, 10, 11, 12; Volleyball 9, 10, 11, 12
Alexis McKee
Cross Country 9, 10, 11; Junior Man 11; Student Council 9, 10, 11; Track & Field 9, 10
Joseph Meade
Michael Meade

Rachel Meierke
Danielle Melton
Sarah Melton
Nathan Metz
Kyle Miller
Matthew Miller

"I do have it but not as bad as others, because im ready to start the next phase in my life. I feel in high-school your kind of stuck."

Emily Dominguez, 12

Senioritis

yeah I got it !!

With just 90 days of school remaining, we asked three seniors if the dreaded "Senioritis" has struck them and how.

"I do because i just dont feel its necessary to be here anymore. I learned all they can teach me."

Keeley Ferguson, 12

"Yes I have it because, I get tired of waking up early morning and I been doing this for four years now and im tired of it and im ready to start the next chapter in my life."

Destiny Cooley, 12

Kayla Mischke
 Cheerleading 9, 10, 11, 12;
 Gymnastics 9, 10; Track & Field 9
 Brett Mitchell
 Cody Mitchell
 Jeremy Mitchell
 Rachel Molnar
 Stefanie Monastyrski
 Choir 9, 10, 12; Chordians 11; Fall
 Play 10, 11, 12; Junior Mutt 11
 (Talent Award); Marching Band
 10, 11, 12; Squa 9, 11, 12; Editor;
 Spill Band 9; Spring Musical 11,
 12; Winterguard 11, 12
 Susan Moody
 Band 9, 10; Choir 9; Pop Band
 10; Speech Club 11
 Tess Moreland
 French Club 9, 10, 11 Secretary,
 VP; Natural Helpers 11;
 Philanthropy Boot Camp 11, 12
 Zachary Moss
 Nathan Mossell
 Football 9; Orchestra 9, 10, 11, 12
 Ariel Motto
 Art Club 9, 10, 11; Page Wear 12;
 Squa 11
 Christopher Mueller
 Paige Mülle
 Shubhkarman Multani
 Academic Team 11; NHS 11, 12;
 Natural Helpers 11, 12; OWM 12; Squa
 11; Student Council 10, 11, 12; Tennis
 9, 10, 11, 12
 Candace Mulron
 Choir 9, 10, 11, 12; German Club 9,
 10, 11, 12; Swimming & Diving 10
 Maria Muirillo
 Julie Myers
 Nikola Nacovski
 Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12; Football 12;
 NHS 11, 12; Orchestra 10, 11, 12;
 OWM 12; Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12; Student
 Council 12; Track & Field 9, 10, 11, 12





Stefanie Nanny
 Ericka Nelson
 Art Club 10, 11; Band 9
Felicia Nelson
 Jordan Nieto
 Basketball 9, Chess Club
 12; Football 9, 10, 11, 12
 Terra Norman
 Trinitie Oetman
 Fidehan Olmos
Brooke Olsen
 Art Club 12; German Club 10,
 11; ROTC 9
Elizabeth Oprisko
 Poma 9, 10, 11
Alfredo Orta
Britni Owens
 Student Council 9, 10, Tennis 9
Nyla Owens
 Fall Play 9; Legend 12;
 Diversity Club 9, 10, 11, 12;
 Poma 10; Softball 9; Student
 Council 10, 11; Therapists 9

Emanuel Pack
 Football 9
Giovanni Paglicci
Kaitlyn Paleck
Cesar Pantoja
Eric Paulone
 Courtney Payne

Cody Peeler
Kristofor Pekovic
Lukas Peksenak
 Cross Country 10, 11, 12;
 Track & Field 9, 10, 11, 12
Katelyn Pelke
Kristina Pelter
 Jessalyn Perez

Clothilde Persons
Elena Pierce
Garrett Piers
Carli Piro
 Basketball 9, 10; HOSA
 12; Natural Helpers 11, 12;
 Volleyball 9, 10, 11, 12
Jacklyn Pievo
 Soccer 9, 10
 Dominique Ponce De Leon

Matthew Poracky
Alexandra Pratt
 Captain's Council 12; Poma
 9, 10, 11, 12
Diamond Pullins
Sarah Raber
 French Club 11, 12 3P;
 Speech Team 12; Student
 Council 12
Steven Rak
Alainna Ream
Alexis Reddington
 Art Club 12; Band 9, 10; French Club
 10; Junior Mutt 11; Marching Band
 9; Stage 10, 12; Spanish Club 1P;
 Spring Musical 12; Swimming &
 Diving 9, 10, 11, 12
Daniel Reese
 Basketball 12; Basketball 12
Joshua Rex
 Basketball 11, 12; Veterans' Campus
 1P; French Club 11, 12
Marisa Ribar
 Fall Play 10; Stage 11; Therapists 11,
 12; Softball 9, 10
Melissa Rivera
 Poma 10, 12
Eric Risley
 Basketball 12; Basketball 12; Football 9, 10, 11, 12

Kayla Robinson
Michael Robinson
Antonio Rodriguez
Captain's Council 12;
Football 9, 10, 11, 12; OIM
12; Track & Field 9
Belinda Rodriguez
Gabriella Rodriguez
Art Club 12; Poms 10;
Spring Musical 12
Marisa Rodriguez

Mitchell Rodriguez
Jasmine Roman
Jason Roman
Baseball 9, 10; Basketball 9; Football
9, 10, 11, 12; Track & Field 11, 12
Nicole Ruiz
Choir 9, 10, 11, 12; Honors 12;
Fall Play 9, 10, 11, 12; Junior Year 11;
Sevier 11, 12; Spring Musical 9, 10, 11,
12; Thompson 9, 10, 11, 12; President;
Track & Field 9, 10

Ryan Russell
Baseball 9; Football 9
Joshua Salgado
Kaitlin Salinas
Athletic Training 12; Basketball 9;
Choreography 10; Cross Country 9;
Lemon Club 9, 10, 11, 12; SP; Student
Council 12; Treasurer
Louis Samaningo
Sevier 9, 10, 11

Robert Sanchez
Salvador Sanchez
Jawana Sanders
Choir 9, 10, 11, 12; Environmental
Club 9, 10, 11, Thompson 12
Haley Sannore
Choir 9, 10, 11, 12; Treasurer; NHS
12; Spring Musical 11; Student Council
11, 12; VP Secretary

Matthew Santiago
Rachel Santos
Ashley Saus
Choreography 12; Cross Country 9,
10, 11; Fall Play 10, 12; Junior
Year 11; Orchestra 9, 10, 11, 12;
Spring Musical 11, 12; Swimming
& Diving 10; Track & Field 9, 10
Sievan Saylor
Band 9; Baseball 10, 11; Legend
12; Pse. How 10, 11, 12
Joseph Scaccia
Adam Sellar
BOY 9, 10, 11, 12

Katerina Serrano
Lindsey Shadrix
Brandon Sholes
Courtney Simmons
Jordan Simmons
Captain's Council 11, 12;
NHS 11, 12; Swimming &
Diving 9, 10, 11, 12
Zachary Simmons
Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12

Shyann Sims
Choir 10; HOSA 12; Poms
10; Track & Field 11
Jasmine Sleaford
Choir 9, 10, 11, 12;
Choreography 9, 10, 11, 12;
Natural Helpers 11

Alyssa Smith
Matthew Smith
Nicholas Smith
Devin Smith
BOY 9, 10, 11, 12

James Smolen
Carson Snyder
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Track & Field 9
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Council 10, 11; Volleyball 9,
10, 11, 12

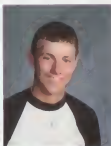
Madeline Sula
Alysa Soto
Art Club 11, 12; Choir 9; Golf
9, 10; Spring Musical 11;
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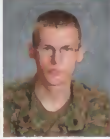
The annual Powder Puff Football Game is a time-honored tradition, and the seniors wanted to make it one to remember. The team bursts through their self-made banner prior to the game. Despite the teams hard work and dedication, the team took a loss against the junior class. Photo by Jillian Talley



Michaeline Spencer
Captain's Council 12, Junior-Male 11, NHS 11, 12, Orchestra 9, 10, 11, 12, Laboratory, Hobbies, Spring Musical 11, Student Council 9, Swimming & Diving 9, 10, 11, 12, Track & Field 9, 10, 11
Kristopher Springman
Zacharie Spurlack
Art Club 9, 10, 11, 12, President: Chess 9, French Club 10, 11, 12, President: OIM 12, Recycling Club 10, 11, 12, Speech Team 12, Student Council 10, 11, 12
Joshua Stahlworth
Band 9, 10, 11, 12, Marching Band 11, Pep Band 11
David Stanley
Almee Stanley
French Club 9, Orchestra 9, 10, ROTC 9, 10, 11, 12



Zachary Stalter
Nicolette Stavrakis
Felicia Silp
Volleyball 9
Jennifer Stone
Ryan Stovall
Andrea Stronczek
Joshua Sullivan
Band 9, 10, Cross Country 9, 10, 11, 12, Orchestra 9, 10, 11, 12, Sops 12, Track & Field 9
Tyler Sweis
Athletic Training 9, Captain's Council 12, Cross Country 9, 10, 11, 12, Orchestra 9, OIM 12, Track & Field 9, 10, 11, 12
John Swisher
ROTC 11, 12
Jillian Talley
Chair 9, HOSA 12, Legend 11, 12, Editor: NHS 11, 12
Talutha Tannes
Nicole Tarnow



Playing with Flowers

Seniors Valerie Gregorash and Mitch Rodriguez act out a scene together in the fall play "Flowers for Algernon." Rodriguez played the lead role of Charlie, while Gregorash played his boss. Photo by Jillian Talley



Jessica Taylor
 Mariassa Taylor
 Scott Terpestra
 Mona Thomas
 Volleyball 9, 10
 Simona Tomeska
 Choir 9, 10; French Club 11;
 Soccer 9, 10
 Abigail Trader
 Captain's Council 11, 12;
 Cross Country 9, 10, 11, 12;
 NHS 11, 12; Student Court
 9; Track & Field 9, 10, 11, 12
 Andrea Trimble
 HOSA 12
 Dominique Turney
 Cheerleading 10; Gymnastics 9;
 HOSA 12; Treasurer, Student
 Council 9, 10; Swimming &
 Diving 11; Track & Field 9, 10,
 11, 12
 Donald Twilla
 Band 9; Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12
 Matthew Urbanczyk
 Football 9, 10, 11, 12
 Allison Urvaki
 Brianna Velez



Joseph Villegas
 Tony Vitanieli
 Wrestling 10
 Nicole Vuko
 Kendra Wagner
 Courtney Walker
 BPA 10;
 Payton Watson



Renee Weber
Paige Whitney
Heather Wighamam
Anthony Wright
Zachary Wilczynski
Orchestra 9, 10, 11, 12;
Track & Field 9, 11;
Wrestling 9, 10, 11
William Wilkinson



Dennette Williams
Art Club 11, 12; Chino 9
Devonte Williams
Payton Williams
Michael Wilson
Wrestling 9, 10, 11
Shaquille Wilson
Rudary Winfield
Jaid Winland
Anime Club 12; Band 9, 10, 11;
Art Club 9, 11; Fall Play 9, 10, 11;
Marching Band 10, 11, 12; Pep Band
10, 11, 12; Spring Musical 9, 10, 11, 12;
Thespians 10, 11, 12
Brittany Winter
Crystal Woloszyn
Academic Team 10; Chess 9, 10,
11, 12; Chorus 9, 10, 11, 12; PP;
President; Fall Play 12; Anime Man 11
Talent Award; Latin Club 10, 11, 12;
Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12; NHS 12;
Sign 10; Spring Musical 11, 12; Student
Council 8, 10
Samuel Wright
David Young
Jane Young



Max Zmija
Captain's Council 11, 12; Cross Country
9, 10, 11, 12; OYM; Thespians 10, 11;
Track & Field 9, 10, 11, 12
Krysta Zygowicz



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Class of 2013

Ahmad Abdur Rafeer
Brittany Adams
Katie Adams
Kaitlyn Atkins
Jose Aguilera



Brittany Akers
Jena Alaniz
Nicole Alberts
Christian Alfano
Jolynn Almedina



David Almendarez
Megan Ambler
Andrea Ammeson
Briana Ammeson
Jennifer Andersen



Chelsea Anderson
Eric Anderson
Kyler Anderson
Laci Anderson
Brianna Augle



Arminda Anguiano
Marcus Appleberry
Susan Arnold
David Arroyo
Santos Arroyo



Brooke Artka
David Aubuchon
Omar Avila
Joshua Awe
Michael Azcona



Erick Baker
Gabriela Balcazar
Taylor Baldwin
Frank Barbosa
Mackenzie Barcelli



Lindsay Barker
Autumn Barlow
Sarah Batey
Jazz Bauske
Travis Beal



Alexandria Beatty
Alexander Becker
Kenneth Beckham
Joshua Bedoy
Brandon Bell





1) Rashaan Coleman break dances during the Winter Formal. 2) Rachel Stewart and Nicole Thomas dance together. 3) Emily Mokol, Jena Alaniz, Taylor Searcy and Emily Evans getting ready to dance the "Cha-Cha Slide." Photos by Kirsten DeMass



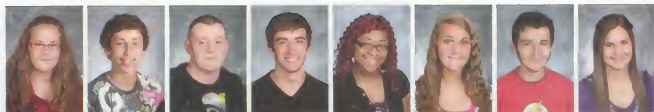
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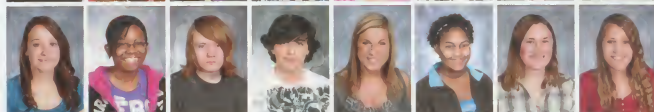
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Gabriella Camacho
Tabitha Camp
Brandon Campbell
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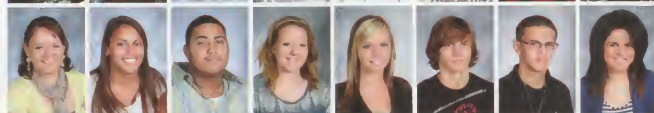
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Logan Cole
Rashaan Coleman
Nashely Collazo
Brandon Collins
Devyn Cooper
Maranda Cooper



Danielle Coppinger
Veronica Coppinger
Lorenzo Corrales
Crysta Crews
Brandi Griswell
Gavin Griswell
Emmanuel Cuadrado
Ricki Cuevas



Lyndsey Cunningham
Whitney Currin
Gage Cuthbert
Collin Czilli
Ty Dabdee
Geena Darnell
Justina Davaney
Jahnna Davis



Tyler Davis
Christopher Deboer
William Decker
Anthony Demaria
Tyler Demko
Dakota Demmon
Ian Deperio
Patrick Derr



Dianna Deyoung
Alexander Diola
Andrew Dolan
Lydia Dreckman
Josh Dresbaugh
Katarina Drummond
Morgan Estridge
Kevin Elkins



Dancing with Thespians

1) Kaitlin Volk practicing her dance. 2) Claire Tokash practicing for the Spring Musical "The Wedding Singer." 3) Rachel Stewart demonstrates a dance for the Spring Musical. Photos by Nick Jordan

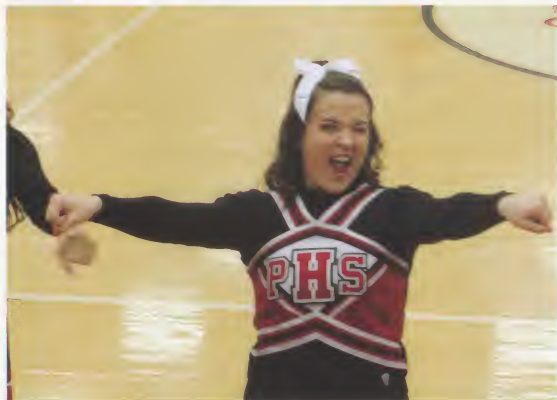


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Autumn Escoe
Jorge Espino
Roberto Espinosa
Patrick Esposito
Emily Evans
Monica Farris
Hollinn Faulkner

Brian Fausto
Nathan Feeler
Kyle Feeney
Savannah Feeney
Taylor Felinski
Seth Felling
Hannah Fengya
Brian Field

Brandon Fields
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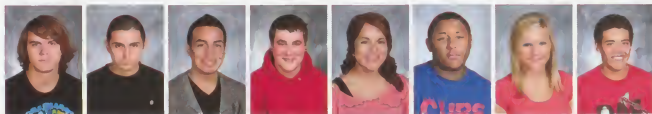
Timothy Ford
Olivia Forrester
Eric Frazier
Brandon Frost
Katrina Fuller
Carly Gajdos
Alexander Galbreath
Adam Gallegos



Morgan
Eastridge
cheers
during a
basketball
game.

Photo by Nick Jordan

Daniel Gallina
Michael Galvan
Orlando Gamez
Austin Ganske
Cristal Garcia
Sheldon Gardfrey
Brianna Gibson
Justin Givens



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Kyle Glover
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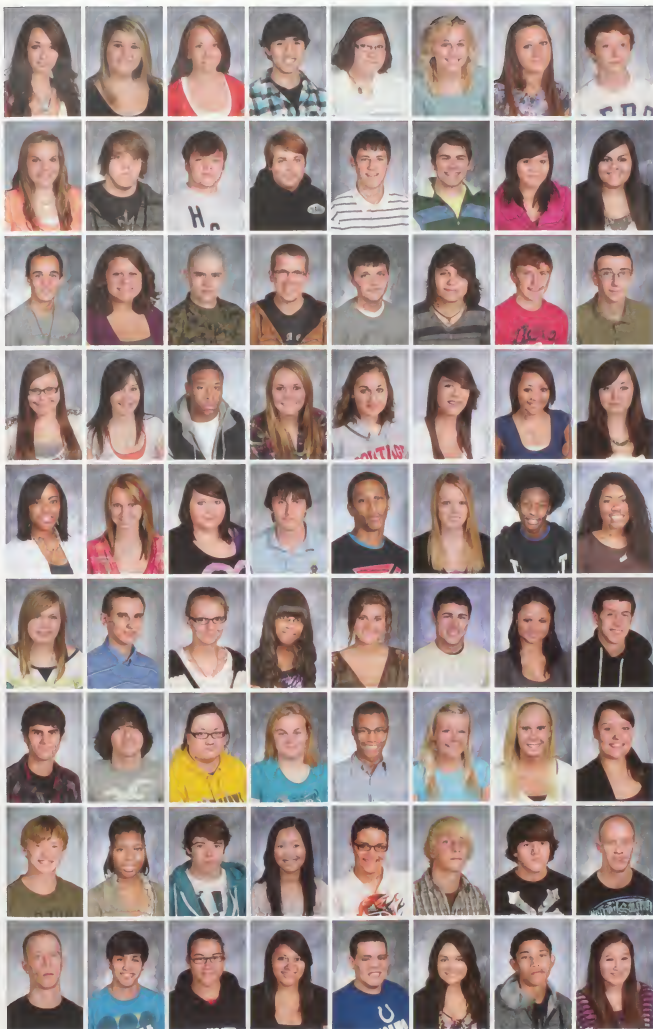


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Courtney Groene
Shawn Gunnum
Austin Hakes



Marine Hakobyan
Taylor Hale
Austin Hamang
Cody Hamilton
Max Hammerstein
Emily Hansen
Miranda Hansford
Luke Hardin





Tin Hardison
Meagan Harriman
Rochelle Hatchett
Conner Haupt
Desiree Hayden
Riley Haynes
Brittany Haywood
Dylan Heath

Leann Hedger
Brandon Hefty
Alexander Heimberg
Samantha Hendron
Nathaniel Hennings
Samuel Hensley
Arlette Hernandez
Marissa Herrera

Justin Hill
Haley Hodges
Austin Holt
Mitchell Hooper
Jerath Hopkins
Nathan Householder
Timothy Huber
Jonathan Hudson

Karina Huff
Peyton Hulse
Tyrone Jackson
Emily Jahoda
Kaylee Jank
Madalyn Jeffers
Natalia Jeffrey
Sierra Jimenez

Alize Johnson
Brittany Johnson
Teara Johnson
Bryce Jones
Exvonte Jones
Jayme Jones
Jerron Jones
Jessica Jones

Caaitin Joyce
Joshua Kane
Alexis Kerr
Desiree Key
Morgan Kilgore
Devin Kludt
Alexis Knight
Tyler Kniola

Eric Konecny
Kodi Kuypers
Jasmine Lambert
Kayla Lambert
Anthony Laramie
Bailey Lauritzen
Alison Leach
Jennifer Leary

Austin Lee
Chian Lee
Nicholas Lewis
Kaley Liang
Tricia Linderman
Dylan Logsdon
Tyler Loney
Nathan Longstreet

Nicholas Longstreet
Emilio Lopez
Regina Lopez
Erica Luna
Mark Maddack
Elizabeth Madriz
Armando Magallan
Crystal Magallanes



SING

IT

OUT

LOUD

Greg Birkmeyer and Alexis Beatty sing during choir class.

Robert Manning
Joshua Marconi
Jasmine Marquez
Kaitlyn Marsh
Matthew Martin
Anthony Martinez
Arisdelssy Martinez
Josquin Martinez



Julissa Martinez
Priscilla Martinez-Lule
Anthony Mattis
Gerald McCann
Joshua McClellan
Jeffrey McElfresh
Ryan McFadden
Marissa McGehee



Joseph McHugh
Jade McKnight
Julise McKnight
Nicholas McWaters
Matthew Meade
Nicole Meade
Jared Meysine
Mauricio Medrano



Shelby Meints
Amanda Mendez
Jeremy Mendoza
Yesenia Mendoza
Judah Mergl
Eric Mesarh
Alec Meyer
Crystal Milam





Lauren Miles
Christina Miller
Ethan Miller
Kenneth Miller
Michaela Miller
Alejandro Miranda
Sarah Mirza
Michael Mischke

Emilija Mizimukoska
Todd Mocarbee
Emily Mokol
Nicole Monahan
Cody Moore
Kodie Morales
Katherine Morrison
Trinity Morrison

Miles Motto
John Murehek
Mariela Murillo
Martell Murphy
Samantha Murphy
Lauren Murray
Timothy Murray
Summer Nafus

Mary Nagel
Derek Navardauskas
Shadara Neal
Patrick Neary
Auron Nelson
Charity Nelson
Justin Newcomb
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Shontiel Nunn
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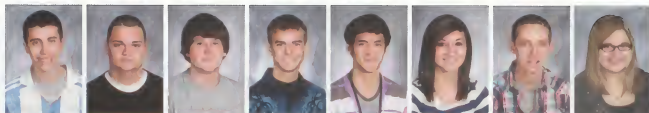
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Christian Patten
Lakendra Patten
Kelsie Patton
Alexandra Pavlinac
Austin Pavy
Jani Paxson

Samantha Peek
Katie Peksenak
Sydney Penrose
Desiree Perez
Kathy Perez
Claudia Persous
Danielle Petro
Caitlin Pidgeon

Kaithin Pilipovic
Cody Piro
Abigail Pisinski
James Podgorski
Kyle Poe
Amanda Pollock
Jhovanney Ponce
Karla Prado

Eric Premil
Blagoje Prentoski
Dorian Prieto
Gregory Prohl
Parkpoom Pronpudpong
Fallon Pugh
James Pullins
Alyssa Quade



Dillon Quigg
Jacob Quiroz
Amber Radtke
Jared Rambo
Thomas Rasch
Dominique Rattunde
Alexander Raudonis
Michaela Redlark



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Amber Rice
Anthony Rice
Katelyn Richerson
Thomas Richter
Jessica Rico
Riley Rivas



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Maileah Robinson
Cassandra Rocha
Alexandra Rodriguez
Cynthia Rodriguez
Cristian Rodriguez
Gabriella Rodriguez



Xavier Rogers
Tabatha Romo
Alex Rosales
Mitchell Rosperski
Paige Rosperski
William Rosperski
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Robert Rys
Ariana Salas
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Alyssa Sanchez
Heather Sander
Laurn Sanders



Norman Sanders
Joseph Sandoval
Camila Santos
Samantha Satriano
Danielle Scartozzi
Jessica Schlingner
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Kaci Schryner



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Gage Shane
Lorraine Sheets
Ashley Shine-Tinsley
Kaylee Shoppa
Charles Shultz
Leisa Suckles



Alexandria Silva
Skylar Simko
Maria Simms
Caleb Sims
Justin Sinitic
Justin Sirbas
Rachel Siska
Jade Sleaford



Embrace your

Insecurity

What insecurity do you have that you have learned to accept and embrace?

"My glasses because people make fun of glasses but at the same time I need them to see."

Jessica Rico

"My shortness because I hate being short then again I don't want to super tall."

Charity Nelson



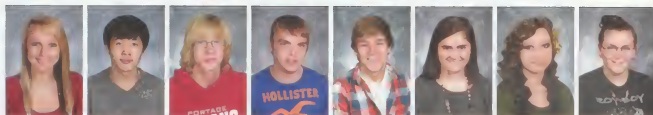
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Erin Trowbridge
Eryania Tsarnas
Samantha Udchitz
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Noell White
Seth White
Megan Whiteside
Simon Whyde
Mackenzie Widener
Ashayla Wilcher



Gabrielle Wilken
Kayla Wilkerson
J Williams
Ross Williams
Ryan Wilson
Brooke Wiseman
Tiffany Woloszyn
Elizabeth Workman



Say What.....

*Juniors talk about
crazy things they
hear in the hallway*

Hallway Talk

“Your girlfriend
looks like Napoleon
Dynamite.”

Emily Hansen

“I like to wear high
heels because they
stimulate my legs
and make me look
all kinds of sexy.”

Courtney Gronene



Brandon Wozniak
Daniel Wozniak
Jacob Wright
Zenobia Wynn
Cheyenne Yates
Kyle Yates
Ashley Yester
Sydney Yingst

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Elijah Zak
Ashley Zarych
Hilary Zemlik
Heather Zengler
Rebecca Zolkowski

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Danelisse Aguilera
Lexus Aguilera
Taylor Ailes



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Emily Albee
Sabrina Alcocer
Mackenzie Aldrich
Rachel Allsbury



Maximillian Almedina
Carlos Anaya
Fabian Anaya
Daniel Andersen
Cassandra Anderson



Alejandra Aragon
Dannielle Arndt
James Ashford
Muhammad Atiq
Josephine Aukkel



Charles Azcona
Haylee Baize
Dustin Balboa
Giovanni Balderas
Ashley Barnas



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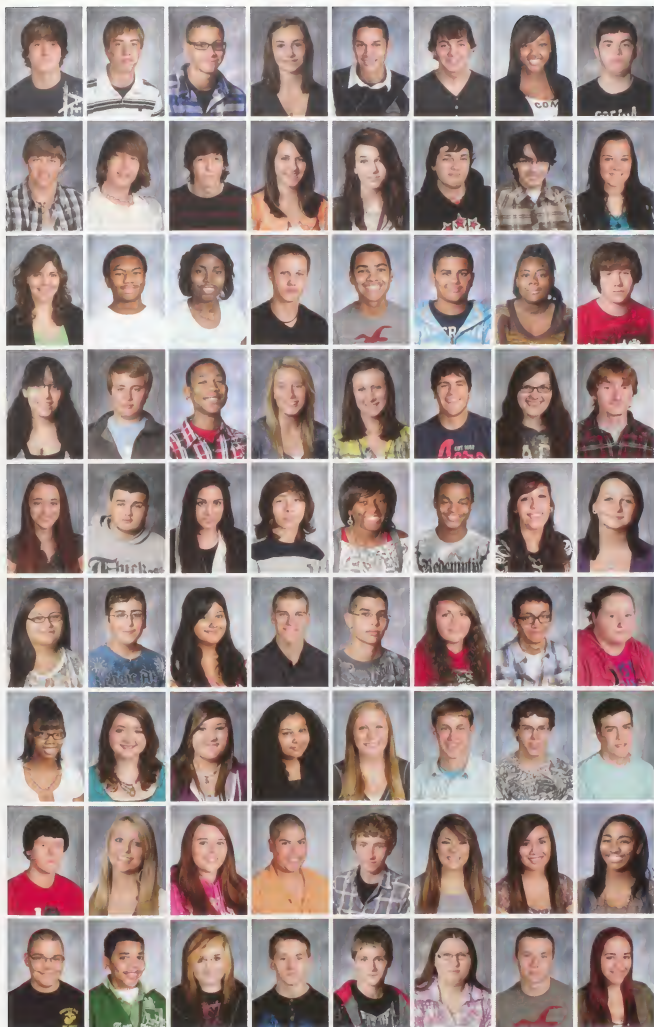


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Anthony Best
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Carl Bilderback





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Brandon Binns
Oliver Bishop
Valerie Black
Emilio Blackwell
Matthew Bliss
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Ian Boltze

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Justine Brasseur
Amanda Brayton
Skyler Brewer
Armando Brignoni
Alexandria Brock

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Jarren Brown
Kailala Brown
Cody Burns
Elijah Bryant
Jason Bryant
Taija Bryant
Joseph Burdett

Victoria Burgos
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Dontrell Burnett Core
Kayla Burns
Makayla Bussler
Michael Butrym
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Chad Carnahan
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Christopher Cathey
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Hannah Cawthon

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Zachary Chandler
Alton Chappell
Britney Chase
Miguel Chavez
Leah Cheek

Peaches Chunn
Megan Churry
Taylor Cibock
Grace Cisneros
Jacqueline Clark
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Morgan Cooper

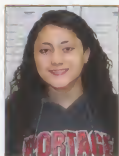
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Christopher Cordray
Jacob Cortina
Meagan Costello
Jeremiah Craft
Sarah Crane

Can I Get Yo' Number?

*Four Sophomores
tell the easiest way
to get the numbers.*



"If you were the new burger at McDonalds, you would be McGorgeous."
Bri Nelson



"Do you have a map? because I just got lost in your eyes."
Jance Escobedo



"Is your name summer? 'Cause you are hot!"
Jomari Miranda



"Do you have a license? Cause you're driving me crazy!"
Justin Hall

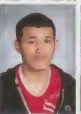
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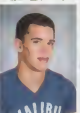
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Mikaela Delion
Mario Delvalle
Krista Denvit



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Kylan Dill
Inko Dixon
Andrew Djordjevic
Angela Dornbos
Randi Dougherty
Sadie Draves





Kelly Dube
Morgan Duffy
Juan Duque
Dana Dutcher
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Ruben Escalante

Janee Escobedo
Louis Escobedo
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Ana Espinoza
Steffanie Eshoridge
Alexandria Evans
Ember Evans
David Faintak

Hannah Falchetta
John Fannin
Cameron Fast
Brett Feehan
Christina Figueroa
Taylor Fine
Tanika Fink
Courtney Finnearty

Kaitlin Fisher
Nicolette Fisher
Rachel Flatt
Kolyn Fleck
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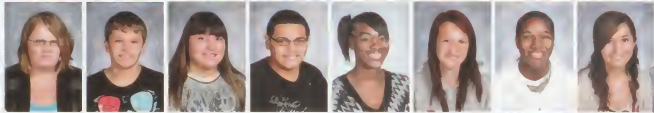
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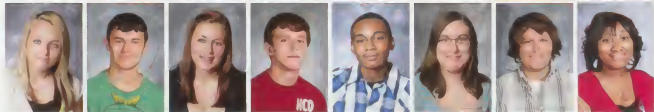
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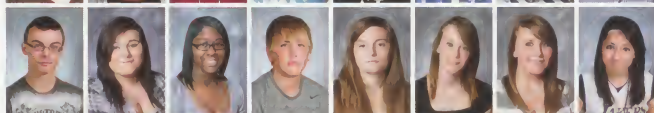
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Did high school change your life?

*Three students tell
how high school has
changed them*



"It gave me friends and memories I will never forget."

Kayla Burns

"High school taught me responsibility and taught me to never stop trying. I have met some people in high school that I will be friends with for the rest of my life."

Shelby Vuko



"It made life more realistic knowing that in only four years you'll be on your own and starting a career. Some people don't think high school is fun but I think it's like the first step to growing up and meeting new people that makes these quick four years the most fun you've had!"

Alex Martinez



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Music to my **Ears**

Sophomore Xavier Gil-
 liam plays the saxo-
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 Band class. Many band
 students start their
 music careers in this
 class and advance to
 Jazz Band or join the
 Marching Band for ad-
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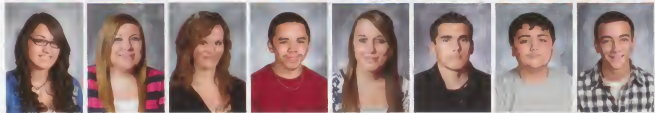
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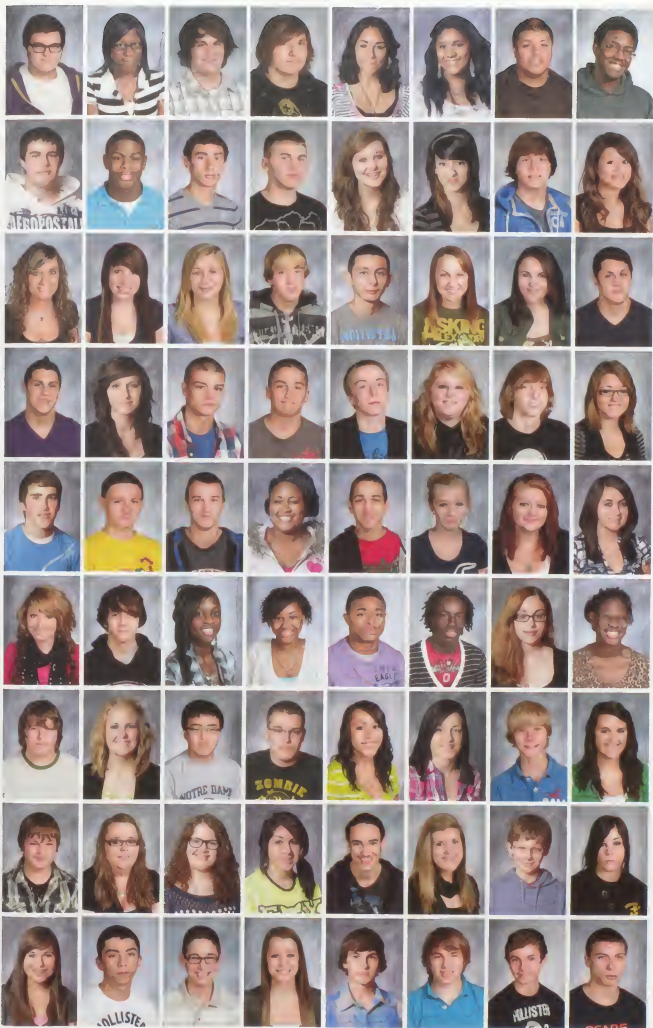


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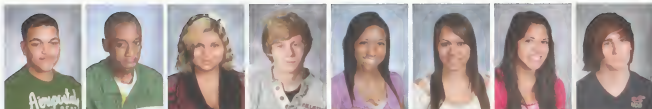
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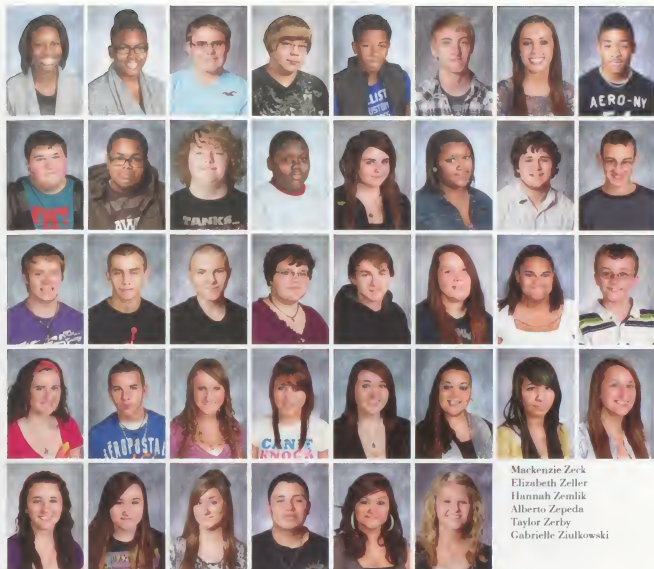


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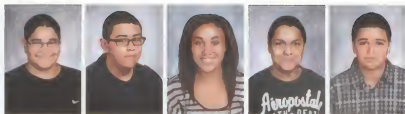
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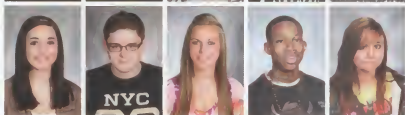
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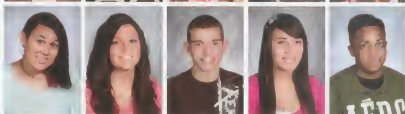
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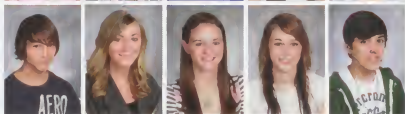
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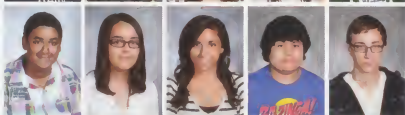
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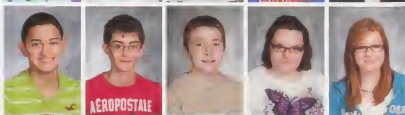
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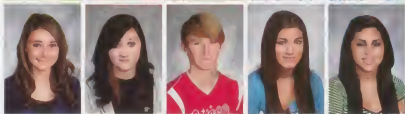
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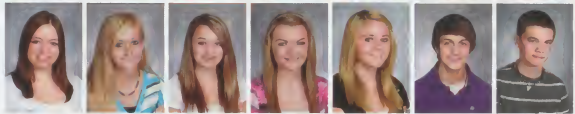
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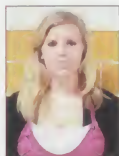


You know you're a FRESHMAN when..



"You know you're a freshman when you hangout with upperclassmen and you're the only one who can't drive!"

Lilly Kearby

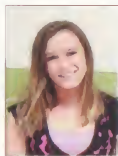


"When the upperclass men complain we're all annoying even though they were all freshmen at one time!"

Jordan Kendall

"You're decked out in name brand clothing on the first day of school."

Hannah Trader



"You still have that middle school drama of he said, she said."

Lucy Harden



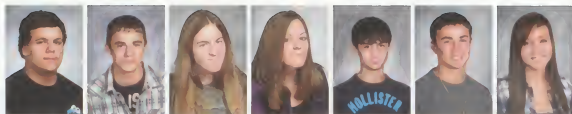
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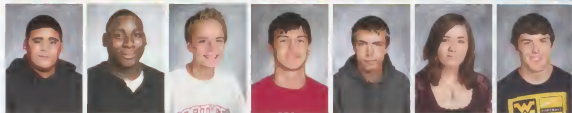
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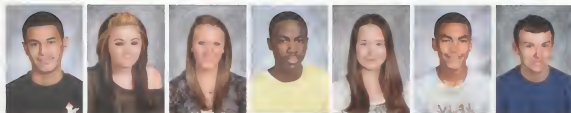


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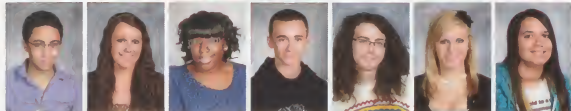




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High School

*The rumors freshman
have heard about coming
into high school*

Rumor has it



"I heard the freshman would never find anything in the school."

Caragh Emmet



"I thought the seniors were going to run all over me."

Morgan Knight



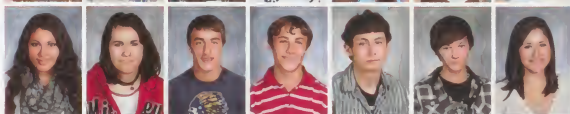
"That the upperclassman would like throw pennies at us at a game or something and that the teachers were super mean"

**Megan
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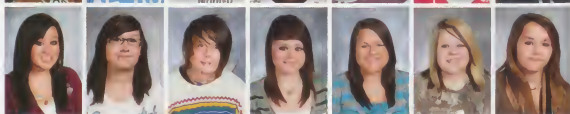
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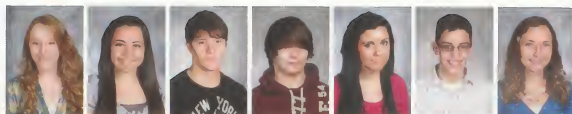


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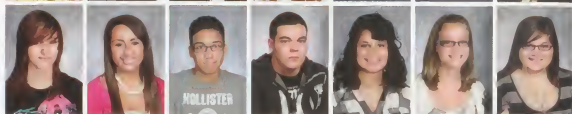
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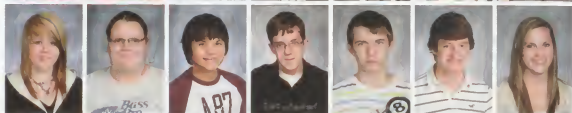
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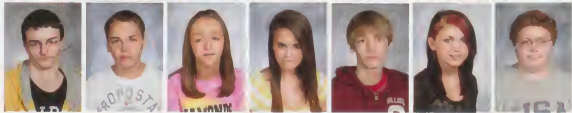
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By Senior Year, I would like to..

*Four Freshman tell
what they want to
accomplish by Senior
Year.*

"The thing I want to do
is have the best grades
possible and volunteer
more."

Katelyn Bohlim

"I want to get a good
start in college activities
and volunteer to help
get a good scholarship."

Courtney Kilgore

"I want to keep my
grades up and have a
good GPA through the
year."

Josie Figueroa

"I want to stay out of
trouble."

Kat Roque



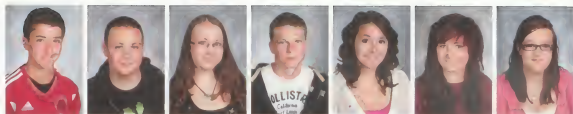
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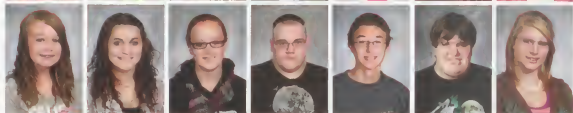
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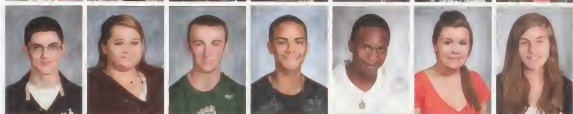
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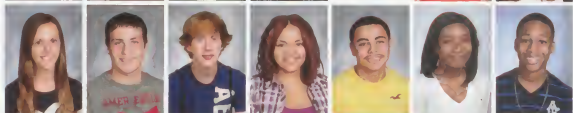
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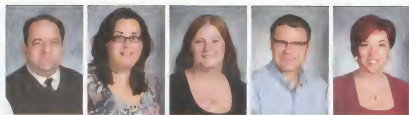
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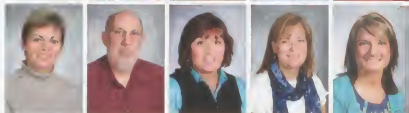
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If **DePasquale** can't, no one can

Marching Band director, Pep Band director and PHS Night School principal Michael DePasquale explains how he balances his various roles.

Q.What was your starting job ?

A.band director for PHS AND WMS.

Q.What is your new job ?

A.director of night school and acting administartor.

Q.How did it feel to get promoted?

A.It was exciting knowing that it would be new challenges.

Q.Do you still help the band?

A.I still help out i worked with marching band and pep band all season.

Q.How do you balance your new job and being a family man?

A.Its tough the hours are very challenging but i use time maniging and planning.



John Hall
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Lynda Hodges
Tami Hudson
Kathleen Hull
Amanda Isakson
Dawn Johnson

John Johnston
James Jones
Robert Kania
Charity Kehoe
Tami Kepshire
Christine Kern
Leslee Kretz

Richard Kretz
Prince Kunstek
Tim Kunstek
Barbara Lochmondy
Janice Martin
Carrie Martin-Smith
Mark Marvin
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Donovan McKiddy
Patrick Mills
Patrick Moody
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For the love of ART

Art teacher Gretchen Hargarten, along with members of the Art Club, paint Halloween-themed icons on the faces of PHS students and staff. The club charged a small fee and used the money to help fund their annual Empty Bowls project. Photo by Legend staff



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Megan Churry
Gabriella Fink
Amanie Foster
Robert Garbart
Xavier Gilliam
Alexis Goodaker
Jeffrey Gregorash
Houston Johnson

Jayme Jones
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Michael O'Daniel
David Thomas
Whitney White
Jaid Winland

Advanced Concert Band

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Jahnathan Davis
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Desiree Perez
Danielle Petro
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Patrick Sobkowski
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Richard Tuomi
Kalani Waddell
Nicole Walton
William Wilkinson
Travis Williams
Jaid Winland
Zenobia Wynn

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John Whitney
William Wilkinson

Advanced Chorus

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Mariah Cormier
Carl Crayton
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Hannah Falcetta
Seth Felling
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Brian Field
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Allison Graveline
Jordan Harrop-Haywood
Ta'Ti'Anna Jones

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 Justin Sirbas
 Jasmine Sleaford
 Rachel Stewart
 Christopher Ticen
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 Kevia Bennett
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 Francesca Butrym
 Erica Cain
 Damita Carlisle
 Stacy Carroll
 Bethany Casella
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Deanna Wood
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Sydney Yingst

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Vanessa Gonzales
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Carolyn Walker
Ashley Zarych

Intermediate Orchestra

Mackenzie Barcelli
Rigoberto Barrozo
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Crystal Bennett
Tyler Berns
Alyssa Bickett
Mariah Blackwell
Lorissa Byrley
Dejah Davis
Gage Eason
John Elish
Mckenna Evans
Steven Ford
Katrina Fuller
Hannah Hilzley
Jayda Morgan
Mary Nagel
David Olivo
Olivia Padilla
Carlie Parpart
Lindsay Parpart

Christopher Perry
Katie Price
Lindsey Rambo
Caleb Rix
Jacqueline Rogers
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Christopher Ticen
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Jamila White
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Crysta Crews
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Jacqueline Volk
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Lauren Zack

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Julian Garcia
Isahia Javier
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Michael McPherson
Jacob Meitzler
Victoria Ostrander
Teagin Powers

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Luke Hayden
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Mikaela Terry
Sydney Yingst

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Academic Decathlon

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Quiz Bowl

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Zak Kizer
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 Taylor Searcy
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 Nicole Thomas
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 Stephanie Vance
 Noah Volk
 Alicia Wood
 Savannah Yuasz



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 Kaylie Littell
 Stephanie Maggio
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 Erika Meinecke
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 Sydney Williams
 Naomi Witten
 Deanna Wood

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Kirsten DeMass
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Morgan Jackson
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Breeana McCollum
Kaylee Nugent
Nyla Owens
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Brooklynn Sellers
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ROW 1: Michaela Miller, Cloe Carda, Skylar Simko, Kaley Liang, Bri Gibson, Mariah Wright, Jade McKnight; ROW 2: Head Coach Brian Zofkie, Carli Piro, Kacie McGuire, Haley Snyder, Caitlyn Byrd, Ali Johnson, Ari Cummings



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ROW 1: Tricia Graveline, Rachel Lewis, Kaitlyn O'Hara, Emma Campbell, Cassie Mandy Haupt; ROW 2: Coach Katie Haupt, Arianna Korman, Lindsay Jennings, Josi Aukel, Alyssa Ronk, Lauryn Thompson, Devia Moreno; Head Coach, Korie Kornacki



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ROW 1: Diamond Cabrera, Abby Alexander, Abby Czapl-Zurek, Jessyka Beal; ROW 2: Alyssa Rosales, Ashley Belt, Julian Stodola, Lauren Winick, Bethany Kingery, Carrie Dohmen; ROW 3: Head Coach Ashley Plumley, Rachel Block, Madi Jercha, Kaytlen Provins, Sara Kuczwara, Kaylie Zielinski, Lilly Kearby



Boys Varsity Soccer

ROW 1: Donald Twilla, Donovan Cole, Luke Kizer, Austin Lee, Justin Hill, Louis Samaniego; ROW 2: Greg Frohl, Oscar Tinoco, Ryan Crum, Derik Novina, Mitch Rodriguez, Jake Fortenberry; ROW 3: Alex Carrasco, Kosté Kosowski, Matt Ford, Taylor Folinski, Victor Mendoza, Ben Schaefer; ROW 4: Head Coach Todd Strom, Alex Becker, Logan Cole, Nikola Navovski, Nate Johnson, Coach Brett Gorden, Coach Arthur Safstrom



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ROW 1: Matthew Ford, Joe Huber, Brandon Reyes, Collin Graber, Nick Bell; ROW 2: Joe Huber, Austin Lee, Omar Tinoco, Anthony Sickles, Ryan Wilson; ROW 3: Ben Schaefer, Kiste Kocosi, Gage Taylor, Brett Pomeroy, Victor Mendoza, Justin Hill; ROW 4: Coach Brett Gorden, Ken Beckham, Oscar Tinoco, Geoffrey Marcotte, Anthony Lombard, Coach Arthur Safstrom, Head Coach Todd Strom



Girls Soccer

ROW 1: Heather Figueroa, Christina Equivel, Tracey Flores, Stephanie Upton, Carrie Prohl, Lauren Zack, Annie Stronczek; ROW 2: Abbey Spicer, Alex Sech, Nicole Thomas, Madelyn Sullivan, Patty Mota, Ashley Hoeckelberg, Jasmine Cartagena, Stephanie Upton; ROW 3: Abbey Spicer, Mallory Morris, Seana Roberts, Julia Ashby, Rachael Gonzalez, Amanda Pogue, Hannah Medina, Sarah Hernandez, San Hernandez, Kayla Denvit; ROW 4: Head Coach Amanda Isakson, Crystal Castrejon, Brooke Jackson, Krista Denvit, Niki Ruiz, Katie Blyak, Kayla Burns, Alexis McDaniels, Nicki Monahan, Abby Hargarten, Natalia Nacovski, Coach Ashley Severs, Coach Renee Grant



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Girls Cross Country

ROW 1: Alexis Coffman, Janee Escobedo, Madison Kurtz, Erin Reynolds, Paige Pizer, Megan Ambler, Marisol Barajas; ROW 2: Mariah Blackwell, Terra Norman, Sierra King, Ryhan Sloan, Natalia Cruz, Mackenzie Jones; ROW 3: Salina McConnell, Bri Cipich, Katie Engel, Keanna Crum, Abby Trader, Jackie Rhoda, Megan Cassidy



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ROW 1: John Fannin, Tyler Soberg, Patrick Derr; ROW 2: Coach Joe White, Zach Smith, Zak Lundy, Shub Multani, Jeff MacElfresh, Head Coach Gary Hayes



Boys JV Tennis

ROW 1: Head Coach Joe White, Jon Craig, Xavier Gilliam, Blake Logsdon, Jordan, Shawn Salazar, Matt Timmons; ROW 2: Head Coach Joe White, Mark Iremann, Chris Kleuk, CJ Haupt, Nick Jordan, Andrew Malarick, Daniel Linn



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Boys JV Basketball

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ROW 1: Julissa Martinez, Asia Jones, Christina Stulp, Jessenia Tribble; ROW 2: Kayla Burns, Lindsay Givens, Natalia Nacovski, Jory Piner, Tricia Graveline



Girls Freshmen Basketball

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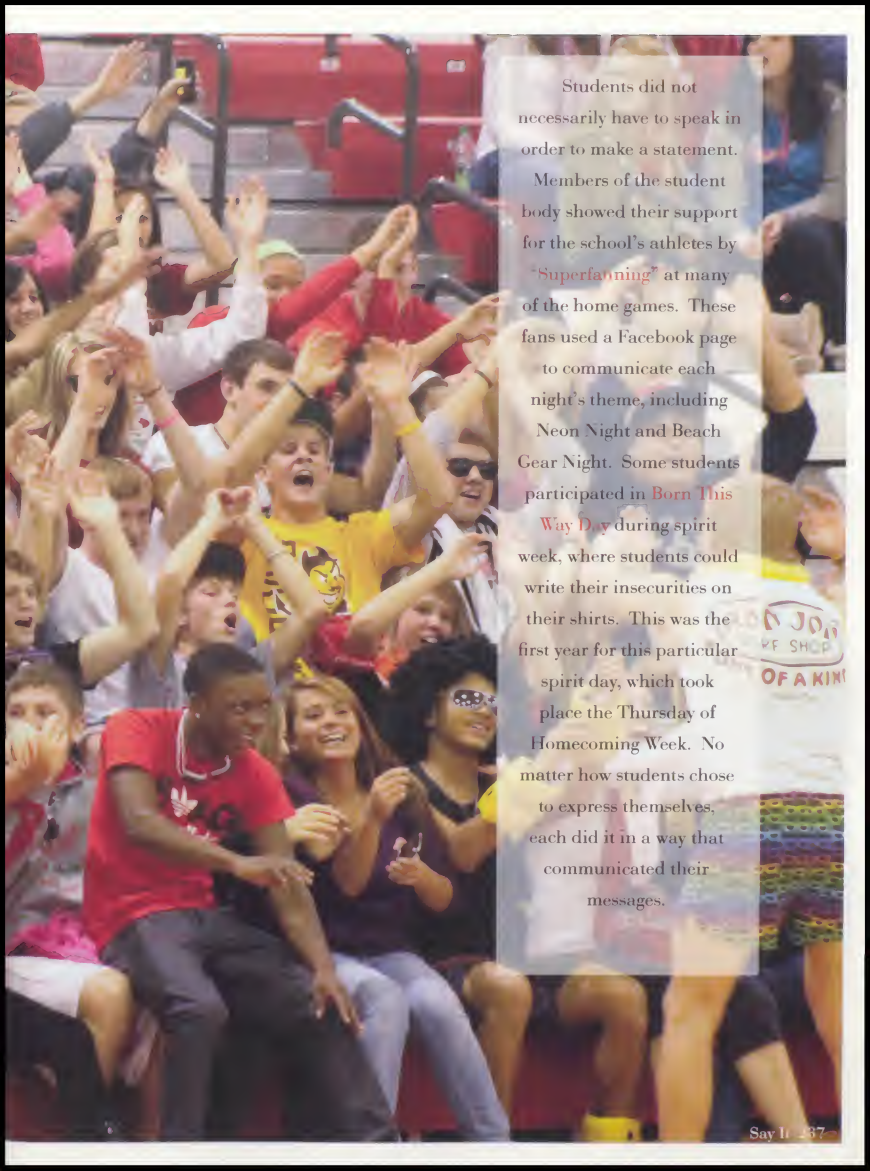


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this says it all...




Students did not necessarily have to speak in order to make a statement.

Members of the student body showed their support for the school's athletes by "Superfanning" at many of the home games. These fans used a Facebook page to communicate each night's theme, including Neon Night and Beach Gear Night. Some students participated in **Born This Way Day** during spirit week, where students could write their insecurities on their shirts. This was the first year for this particular spirit day, which took place the Thursday of Homecoming Week. No matter how students chose to express themselves, each did it in a way that communicated their messages.



whatever you say....

A close-up photograph of a person's face and hand. The person's face, including their forehead, cheeks, nose, and chin, is painted a vibrant red color. Their eyes are closed. Their right hand is raised towards their face, with the fingers also painted red. The person is wearing a red t-shirt. The background is a soft-focus outdoor scene with a clear blue sky and some greenery.

Little changes made
a big difference. The
citizens of Portage elected
Jim Snyder as the new
mayor of Portage. With
that came big changes,
including naming
former school resource
officer Troy Williams
Portage's new police chief.

Administrators worked
with Williams to name
Officer Mike Candiano as
the new resource officer.

Administrators made
changes to the building
as well when they hired
a company to replace
the school's light bulbs
with ones that are energy
efficient, are brighter and
will save the school money
over time. Students were
surprised at the beginning
of the year when they saw
Pepsi machines in place
of the traditional Coke
machines.



* say it



WORLD YEARBOOK



2011 thru 2012...



#TOPHASHTAGS #EGYPT / #THREWORDSTOLIVEBY / #SUPERBOWL / #JAPAN / #IDONTUNDERSTANDWHY



WAVES OF CHANGE Former Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, who had been in power since 1981, was ousted in 2011.

He was later put on trial for allegedly ordering the killing of protesters. **EGYPTIAN PROTESTERS** Waving their national flag and shouting slogans, thousands crowded Cairo's Tahrir Square to demand political change as anger grows with the military rulers over the slow pace of reform. **TOGETHER IN PROTEST** The flags of Syria, Tunisia, Yemen, Egypt and Libya were painted on participants' palms during a demonstration in Yemen



ARAB SPRING

PROTESTS ACROSS THE MIDDLE EAST brought changes to Arab nations large and small. Uprisings began in Tunisia, where, as 2010 ended, a young vendor protesting the confiscation of his wares set himself on fire. Discontent spread to Egypt and Yemen as 2011 began, and in the months that followed those governments and leaders from Bahrain, Libya and Syria were under siege. By year's end, the presidents of Tunisia, Egypt and Yemen had stepped down and Libya's Moammar Gadhafi and his son Muattasim had been assassinated. **Tunisi**ans went to the polls in October 2011 and the Egyptian election took place just a month later. The protests continued despite high costs: thousands of lives (2,000 in Syria alone) and billions of dollars were lost.



GLOBAL UNREST

PROTESTERS SHOW ANGER & DISSATISFACTION

IN OTHER NEWS...

NOBEL LAUREATES

Tawakkol Karman (Yemen), Leymah Gbowee and Ellen Johnson Sirleaf (Liberia) were recognized with a Nobel Peace Prize for their work in women's rights.



S&P DOWNGRADE

The United States lost its AAA credit rating for the first time since 1917, when Standard & Poor's assessed prolonged financial controversies as "creditworthy."

SINKING SHIP

When Carnival's Italian-built Costa Concordia ran aground and tipped off the coast of Genoa, Italy after hitting rocks in the night, 32 people were killed.

#TOPSTORIES BANK OF AMERICA DROPS DEBIT CARD FEES / GOLD HITS ALL-TIME HIGH - \$1,920 AN OUNCE IN AUG

IN THE HEADLINES



10 YEARS LATER Bicyclist commemorates the 10th anniversary of the attacks on the World Trade Center, while the 9/11 Memorial is the 10th anniversary of the former WTC's construction to the public, the following day. The memorial's construction cost \$2.5 billion, the largest of the nation's 100 largest construction projects.

MEDAL OF HONOR Marine Corporal Dakota Meyer was awarded the Medal of Honor after saving 36 lives in Afghanistan.

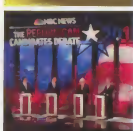
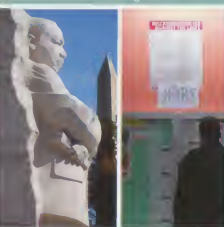
MORTGAGE RATES AND FORECLOSURES Housing prices continued to fall as more than a quarter of all American homeowners owed more on their mortgages than their homes were worth. Foreclosure rates as high as 1% home ownership continued to decline.

OCCUPY WALL STREET After gaining the world's attention with an earlier presence in London, a gathering in NYC featured a massive, makeshift barricade by growing weeds, bricks and wood, distributed in the United States between the weathered 11 and the rest of the world's financial institutions from coast to coast.

POTENTIAL GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN The Budget Control Act of 2011 was passed on August 2, bringing a conclusion to the debt-ceiling crisis, which had threatened to shut the United States into government default.

STONE OF HOPE The August 2011 dedication of the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial in Washington, DC honors Dr. King's commitment and vision that all men enjoy a life of freedom, opportunity and justice.

UNEMPLOYMENT While January 2012 data showed a national unemployment rate of 8.3%, the lowest in more than three years, economists warned that the encouraging report might be the result of factors like increased job seekers giving up the hunt for work as much as economic growth.



OSLO ATTACKS People laid flowers in memory of the victims of a pair of attacks in Norway that claimed 76 lives on July 22. A shooting spree at a youth summer camp occurred just two hours after a car bomb explosion near the Prime Minister's office. **EUROPEAN DEBT CRISIS** Financial woes abroad continued as investors feared government debt levels precluded some countries' abilities to prevent economic collapse. Greece, Ireland and Portugal received a wave of aid from the European Financial Stability Facility in October, 2011. **RACE TO THE WHITE HOUSE** As many as 10 legitimate candidates vied for the Republican party's presidential nomination in 2012.

MF GLOBAL BANKRUPT

When the NYC financial derivatives brokerage filed Chapter 11, the reported \$1.6 billion shortfall made it the eighth largest filing in U.S. history.



U.S. HIKERS RELEASED

Josh Fattal and Shane Bauer were freed after being held in Iran on charges of espionage since 2009. Sarah Shourd (left) was released in 2010.



RIOTS

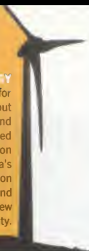
Trouble flared following a peaceful protest in Tottenham over a fatal shooting by police. Scenes of violence and looting spread across London and its boroughs.

MF Global

GAS PRICES AVERAGE \$3.74 A GALLON ON MARCH 1, 2012 - UP 37 CENTS IN A YEAR

RENEWABLE ENERGY

A topic of interest for those concerned about the environment and the economy received considerable attention in President Obama's January State of the Union address. Wind, solar and ethanol alternatives grew in popularity.



FIERCE TORNADO DAMAGE

VIOLENT APRIL TORNADO OUTBREAK

While Tuscaloosa, AL received the lion's share of damage on April 27, 2011 when tornadoes there caused devastation and killed nearly 300 people, the storm series included 359 confirmed tornadoes in 21 states over the course of three days. Four of the twisters were rated F-5, the rating for most destructive storms.



RED CROSS

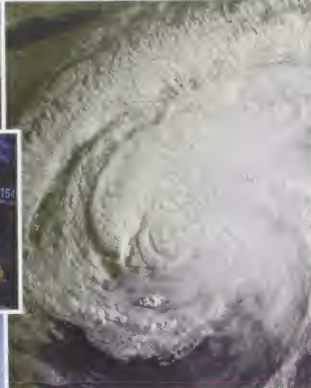
Extreme weather and other catastrophes caused the agency to launch 137 relief operations in 46 states in 2011. **JOPLIN DISASTER** May's F-5 tornado destroyed one-third of the Missouri town, killing more than 150.

HURRICANE IRENE

In late August, severe winds and intense rainfall brought flooding and damage to the northeast. More than 5 million homes and businesses were without power for as long as a week.

EAST COAST QUAKE

While little damage and only minor injuries were reported following a 5.9 earthquake in August, a crack was found in the famed Washington Monument and the Virginia quake was felt from Toronto to Charlotte. **WILDFIRES** A long-standing drought and strong winds contributed to the worst wildfire season in the history of Texas.



IN THE SCIENCE LAB...

CAUGHT ALIVE After a three-week hunt in September in the Philippines, villagers captured a 21-foot-long saltwater crocodile weighing 2,369 pounds.

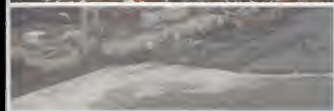
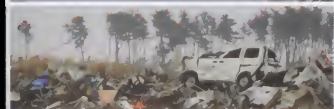


NICE NAME A new planet, HD85512B, was discovered about 36 light-years away. It could be one of the most Earth-like planets yet — if its atmosphere allows clouds.



TEENIE TINY Scientists in New Guinean rain forests found the world's smallest vertebrate, measuring just 7.7 millimeters long. The tiny frog was roughly the size of a housefly.

AMID DISASTER & DEVASTATION... HOPE



CATASTROPHIC DESTRUCTION

THE MOST POWERFUL EARTHQUAKE ever to hit

Japan was an undersea megathrust in March 2011. The 9.0 temblor, which lasted nearly five minutes, caused tsunamis that flooded cities more than five miles inland and sent tidal waves crashing to the United States. In addition to local damage done by the earthquake and accompanying tsunami, the event crippled three Fukushima nuclear reactors, releasing dangerous levels of radiation.



PRAYER CANDLES Showing support for earthquake and tsunami victims, survivors and aid workers lit up the night. Records showed 15,844 confirmed dead and 3,450 listed as missing since the March disaster. Damage was estimated at \$217.7 billion.



FALLING MARS ROCKS

Meteorites from Mars fell in Missouri in July, delighting scientists who for years have feared their samples had been tainted with "Earth materials."



PANDAS TO PARIS

After a decade of negotiations and a 5,000-mile flight, a pair of Chinese pandas flew to France, where they'll take up residence in the zoo at Beauval.



CANCER VACCINE

In January, a Buffalo, NY lab announced the development of a vaccine which they believe will "eradicate cancer cells and prevent disease relapse."

DOES EXIST / ALBINO-LIKE PENGUIN / DOG FOUND ALIVE 4 DAYS AFTER AVALANCHE / CYCLOPS SHARK

AGAINST ALL ODDS

A RECORD-BREAKING YEAR IN ENTERTAINMENT

NEW JUDGES Jennifer Lopez and Steven Tyler joined *American Idol* as season 10 judges, following the departure of Simon Cowell. Tyler became a fan favorite, saving the ratings in 2011. **THE**

MUPPETS After 12 years, The Muppets returned to the silver screen. With over \$100 million at the box office, the film became the highest-grossing of the Muppets' series. **THE HUNGER GAMES** With the excitement of the 2012 release of the first installment of *The Hunger Games* to theaters, the print trilogy became a top seller on Amazon and at Barnes and Noble during the holiday season.

REBECCA BLACK

After her YouTube video "Friday" went viral and racked up over 10 million views, the California teen earned a cameo in a Katy Perry video. "Friday" also appeared on *Glee* and *Dancing with the Stars*.



THE HELP Stronger-than-expected box office returns for the movie resulted in a huge bump in sales for the book about the *Help*. **THE**

MAIDS CAME OUT ON TOP The film received a lot of attention

at the Academy Awards and Golden Globes.

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CHOICE TV

THE BIG BANG THEORY
NCIS: LOS ANGELES
BURN NOTICE
HAWAII FIVE-0
SMALLVILLE
THE VAMPIRE DIARIES

GOSSIP GIRL
BONES
GLEE
TEEN WOLF

MODERN FAMILY
FRINGE
ICARLY

KEEPING UP WITH THE KARDASHIANS They are everywhere. Kim wed, then divorced NBA star Kris Humphries. Khloe followed husband Lamar to Dallas (and so did brother Rob). Bruce Jenner underwent surgery to remove skin cancer. Courtney was pregnant with baby number two. Kendall and Kylie Jenner made the cover of *Teen* in March.



BOX OFFICE HITS...



HARRY POTTER AND THE DEATHLY HALLOWS: PART 2



TRANSFORMERS: DARK OF THE MOON



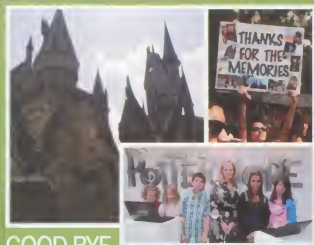
BREAKING DAWN: PART 1



PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: ON STRANGER TIDES



#TOPALBUMDOWNLOADS 21-ADELE / SIGH NO MORE - MUMFORD & SONS / THA CARTER IV - LIL' WAYNE / WATCH

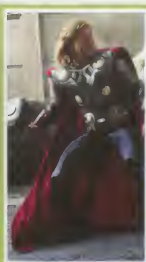


GOOD-BYE HARRY POTTER

THE END OF AN ERA Harry Potter's movie franchise came to an end with the release of its final installment in July 2011. The series became the highest-grossing franchise in domestic box office history, accumulating \$2.4 billion in America and \$7.7 billion worldwide. Today, we take a say goodbye to Harry and friends as the Potter films come to a close. Musicians can continue to enjoy the world of Harry Potter through the additions of the Wizarding World Theme Park at Universal Studios in Orlando, Florida and JK Rowling's new online experience, Pottermore.



ADELE Billboard's Artist of the Year released her second album, 21, which immediately topped the charts and remained there for 13 weeks to become the year's best-selling album. An October vocal cord hemorrhage required microsurgery, forcing the 21-year-old Brit to take a break from performing, but she sang at the Grammys where her six nominations turned into six wins.



MARVEL-IOUS SUMMER

TOP OF THE CHARTS Captain America broke a major streak in the success of 2011, scoring the box office crown over Iron Man 3. **STAY FOR THE CREDITS!** If you stuck around at the end of Thor: The Dark World, you saw the end of the movie. **THE LEGEND OF ZELDA: SKYWARD SWORD** is the first of three games in the series. **BATMAN: ARKHAM CITY** is the first of three games in the series.

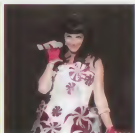
TOP 2011 GAME RELEASES

MINECRAFT PORTAL 2

THE LEGEND OF ZELDA: SKYWARD SWORD

UNBROTHERS & KINGSBURN

BATMAN: ARKHAM CITY



TEENAGE DREAM

Katy Perry's third studio/pop album earned her six No. 1 hits. MTV's 2011 Artist of the Year, Perry also became the first artist to spend 52 consecutive weeks in the Top 10 of Billboard's Top 100. **BEYONCÉ'S BABY BUMP** Beyoncé revealed her baby bump during her performance at the MTV Video Music Awards. Blue Ivy Carter was born Jan. 12, 2012 and, at five days old, she became the youngest performer to hit the Billboard charts.



FAST FIVE



MISSION: IMPOSSIBLE - GHOST PROTOCOL



CARS 2



SHERLOCK HOLMES: A GAME OF SHADOWS

THE THRONE - KANYE WEST & JAY-Z / MYLO XYLOTO - COLDPLAY / BORN THIS WAY - LADY GAGA / LOUD - RIHANNA

FOR THE LOVE OF THE GAME

FROM THRILLING VICTORIES TO DEVASTATING INJURIES, IN UPSETS AND CLOSE LOSSES, THEY PLAYED TO WIN

3000 HITS In July, NY Yankee Derek Jeter became the 28th player in baseball history (and the first Yankee!) to break 3,000. **NEW**

WIMBLEDON CHAMP Serbian Novak Djokovic's first Wimbledon title broke Rafael Nadal's 20-win streak at the grass tournament.

LEAVING ST. LOUIS After 11 years with the Cardinals, three-time NL MVP Albert Pujols signed a \$254 million, 10-year contract with the LA Angels, the second-highest in baseball history. **TIDE TURNS** No. 2 Alabama trounced LSU 21-0 in the BCS Championship, avenging

a Nov. 5 loss and winning their second national title in three years. **MAVERICKS**

WIN The Miami Heat failed to take the title as Dirk Nowitzki and the Mavericks clinched Dallas's first-ever NBA title in six games.



ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Carolina Panthers QB Cam Newton broke the rookie passing record set by veteran Peyton Manning in 1998, throwing 3,893 passing yards and 20 touchdown passes.

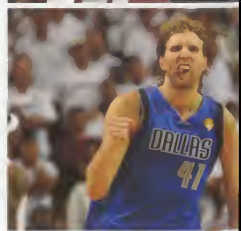


FATAL CRASH

Two-time Indianapolis 500 winner Dan Wheldon died in October after he struggled

to avoid a fiery 15-car pileup, flew over another vehicle and hit the catch fence in the season's final race at Las Vegas Motor Speedway. **FANS**

MOURN Wheldon was a crowd favorite for his talent behind the wheel, but just as much for the way he treated people off the track.



PLAYING IT SAFE...

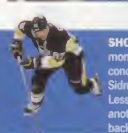
SEASON-ENDING INJURY

After multiple surgeries on his injured neck, QB Peyton Manning's future with the Indianapolis Colts and the NFL were questionable.



STRICTER RULES NFL

rule changes affected kickoff and penalties for unnecessary roughness. The rule changes were created to curb injuries related to brain damage.



SHORT STAY

After 10 months recovering from a concussion, Penguins' star Sidney Crosby returned. Less than two weeks later, another injury forced him back to the sidelines.

WINTER X GAMES



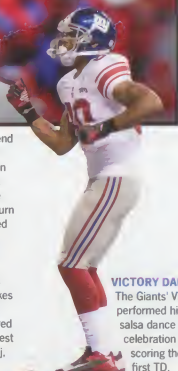
DOUBLE GOLD Canadian Mark McMorris took top Aspen X Games honors with Gold in both Snowboard Big Air and Snowboard Slopestyle. **PROUD PRODIGY** Canada's Roz Groenewoud broke records held by former teammate Sarah Burke in the Ski SuperPipe. **FRONT FLIP** Idaho's Heath Frisby won Snowmobile Best Trick honors, landing the first-ever front flip on a snowmobile.

SUPER BOWL REMATCH

SUPER BOWL XLVI, played in Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, was the most-watched TV event ever with 111.3 million viewers. The halftime show featuring Madonna topped game viewership with 114 million tuning in. The game was a rematch of the 2008 Super Bowl (XLIII) between the New England Patriots and the NY Giants. The Giants won 21-17 after a close game and a failed Hail Mary pass by Patriot QB Tom Brady. NY QB Eli Manning was named MVP.



HE'S IN! Patriots' tight end Aaron Hernandez scores a third quarter touchdown on a 12-yard Brady pass. **INTERCEPTION** Middle linebacker Chase Blackburn intercepts a pass intended for Patriot tight end Rob Gronkowski. **WINNING TOUCHDOWN** Giants' Ahmad Bradshaw scores as Patriots' Brandon Spikes closes in. **SPECTACLE** The halftime show featured Madonna and several guest stars including Nicki Minaj, Cee Lo Green and others.



VICTORY DANCE The Giants' Victor Cruz performed his famous salsa dance touchdown celebration after scoring the game's first TD.

CONCUSSION CRACK-DOWN The National Hockey League adopted a more stringent protocol in the care of concussions and punishment of illegal hits.

SKIING ACCIDENT Freeskier Sarah Burke's death followed a routine 540-degree flat spin which landed her on her head and raised additional questions over protective gear.



NEW LANDING PAD Designed by Stephen Sten and Aaron Coret, after he was paralyzed in a snowboarding accident, the Katal landing pad reduces the risk of injury.



MICHIGAN STATE CHEERLEADER FALLS ON HER HEAD DURING STUNT THEN GIVES THUMBS UP TO WORRIED FANS

DAYTONA 500 After rain delayed the start of the race for an entire day, Juan Pablo Montoya slammed his car into a jet dryer truck containing 200 gallons of kerosene, igniting the track.



WOMEN'S FINAL FOUR After upsetting favored UConn in the semifinals, Notre Dame lost to Texas A&M. The Aggies clinched the 76-70 win with 22 points in the second half from Danielle Adams.

GREEN JACKET

Twenty-six-year-old South African Charl Schwartzel won the 75th Masters 50 years to the day after Gary Player became the first international player to win the tourney.

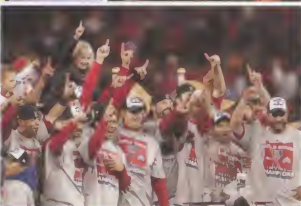
DRAMATIC VICTORY Tony Stewart won his third NASCAR championship, slipping past Carl Edwards, who he trailed by three points at the start of the season's final race.

CARDINALS TAKE THE SERIES After coming within a single strike of losing twice in Game 6, the St. Louis Cardinals beat the Texas Rangers 6-2 in Game 7 of the World Series to win the club's 11th crown.

WIMBLEDON UPSET Petra Kvitová, a 21-year-old Czech, overpowered three-time Grand Slam champion Maria Sharapova to earn her first Grand Slam win.

STANLEY CUP After home-team wins in the first six games, Boston trounced Vancouver 4-0, sparking riots in downtown Vancouver. Boston goaltender Tim Thomas was named the MVP after allowing just eight goals in the series.

LEADER START TO FINISH Rory McIlroy, a 22-year-old Northern Irishman, won the U.S. Open by eight strokes, setting a new course record. **FINALLY!** Cadel Evans, twice runner-up, became the first Australian (and, at 34, the oldest rider since World War II) to win the Tour de France. **UCONN CROWN** The No. 3 seed Huskies outlasted Butler 53-41 in the finals, making Coach Jim Calhoun the fifth coach ever to win three NCAA titles.



LIN-TASTIC Harvard-educated NY Knick Jeremy Lin was the NBA's newest sensation. He became a breakout star after injuries on the team thrust him to the point guard position.



IN IT TO WIN IT

BIG WINS, NAIL-BITERS AND BROKEN RECORDS

BREAKING RECORDS...

WHAT A YEAR! Saints QB Drew Brees broke Dan Marino's 1984 record for yards passed in a season. Brees' 5,087 yards made him the first ever to pass the 5,000-yard mark twice.



HUGE WAVES Hawaiian surfer Garrett McNamara caught a 90-foot wave off the coast of Portugal. A phenomenon known as "Nazare Canyon" created giant waves there.



HE'S PERFECT American snowboarder Shaun White scored a perfect 100 in Aspen. After nailing a back-to-back double cork, White got the first perfect score in X Games history.



#RECORDBREAKERS JAMAICA SETS WORLD RECORD OF 37.04 SECONDS IN MEN'S 4X100M RELAY

FIFA WOMEN'S WORLD CUP



OVERTIME! Nearing elimination, American Abby Wambach's header tied the score against Brazil. Before the United States won 5-3. **FANS WORLDWIDE** The United States and Japan played one of the most-watched finals in World Cup history. **JAPAN WINS** Japan came from behind twice to take the FIFA World Cup honors 3-1 in a morale-boosting win after the devastating earthquakes/tsunami.

LOCKOUT DRAMA

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING PITTED PLAYERS

AGAINST OWNERS in both the NBA and NFL. Sports fans feared the worst but both leagues were able to agree in time to save most of their regular seasons. In the NBA, the focus was primarily on cutting player salaries to help struggling teams. Both sides remained far apart on just about every major issue. They settled in late November, agreeing to a 66-game schedule, with the first games set for Christmas Day, cutting two weeks off the regular season. The NFL lockout lasted from March 11 to July 25. Once an agreement was reached, the players won additional benefits; the continuation of a 16-game regular season schedule, improvements in player safety and increased injury protection. Almost as soon as an agreement was reached, trades, deals, cuts and contracts were made.



NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell, Executive Director of the National Football League Players Association DelMaurice Smith, Philadelphia Eagles' Riley Cooper, Dallas Mavericks' Jason Terry.



ARMSTRONG RETIRES

Seven-time Tour de France winner Lance Armstrong retired from professional cycling and revealed plans to co-chair a campaign for cancer research.



WINNINGEST

Duke's Mike Krzyzewski became the men's career win leader in December with 903 and Tennessee's Pat Summitt continued to coach despite a diagnosis of dementia.



DOUBLE TROUBLE

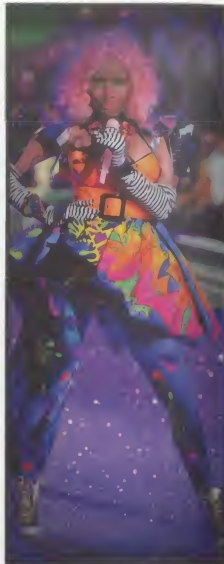
Minnesota Timberwolves Kevin Love's streak of 53 consecutive games with a double-double surpassed the mark Moses Malone set in 1979.

FASCINATING! Cousin to the groom and wedding attendee Princess Beatrice was among the many who wore hats; her "fascinator" was designed by Irish milliner to the stars, Philip Treacy.



ROYAL STYLE

A FAVORITE POSE Following the ceremony at Westminster Abbey, Kate Middleton and Prince William headed to Buckingham Palace for the reception. An estimated 2 billion viewers watched the nuptials on television. The April 29, 2011 celebrations were the U.K.'s biggest royal event since the 1997 funeral of William's mother, Princess Diana, who died in an auto accident. **PIPPA MAKES WAVES** The bride's younger sister, Pippa Middleton, was her maid of honour. Less than two years apart in age, the duo both worked for their family's party business. **A NEW STYLE** Kate and sister Pippa inspired young women with their preference for classic, affordable pieces.



SPOTIFY The Swedish online music streaming service grew to more than 10 million users with Facebook integration. **NETFLIX APOLOGIZES** Customer backlash caused the video company to renounce its decision to separate its online and mail rental services. **IPHONE 4S** The fifth generation iPhone was the first model to feature Siri, a voice-activated control system which could answer questions and control the phone.



SOPA/PIPA On January 18, Google, Wikipedia, WordPress and hundreds of other sites participated in an online protest of bills feared to threaten free expression. **GOOGLE**

PLUS The social networking service was released in phases beginning in June 2011.

BON JOVI DEATH HOAX Facebook and Twitter contributed to the rapid spread of false news of the rocker's demise in December.



TRENDS...

NAIL POLISH Celebrity colors were all the rage, including options inspired by movies, the Kardashians and even Miss Piggy. Her bold magenta was named "Excuse Moi!"



ONE FOR ONE For every pair of Toms sold, a pair of lightweight, colorful shoes was donated to children in developing countries; donations have topped 1,000,000 pairs.



TIGERS AND PANDAS... Available everywhere from the streets of NYC to high style stores like TopShop, colorful animal head hats were popular with people of many ages.



ANYTHING GOES

THE MORE OUTRAGEOUS, the better when it came to the outfits worn by Lady Gaga and other top pop sensations. Nicki Minaj, Rhianna, Lady Gaga and LMFAO's RedFoo were known for their overly colorful, super theatrical looks on stage and at public events.



ALL "POMPED" UP Grammy-nominated singer Bruno Mars channeled rockabilly style with his pompadour and classic suits. Mars was the best-selling digital artist in 2011, with three singles in the top 10. **MARKETING PLAN** Abercrombie offered to pay MTV's "Jersey Shore" cast members not to wear its clothes on air. **BELIEB IT!** It was big news when Justin Bieber cut and then colored his famous locks. The singer turned 18 in March.

WHAT'S TRENDING

TECH "TOYS" AND FASHION AND ROYALS, OH MY!



TABLET COMPUTING
Sales grow 250% in 2011 and even more companies entered the market. New releases included the Kindle Fire, Nook tablet and iPad 2.



HAIR FEATHERS Colorful and textured feather extensions could be curled or straightened. Steven Tyler, judge of *American Idol*, was credited with popularizing the extensions.



GEEK CHIC Whether you called them nerd glasses or hipster frames, retro plastic frames were back, including versions released in new Ray-Ban, Persol and Burberry lines.

WE BID THEE FAREWELL

SAYING GOODBYE TO PEOPLE, PRODUCTS & PROGRAMS

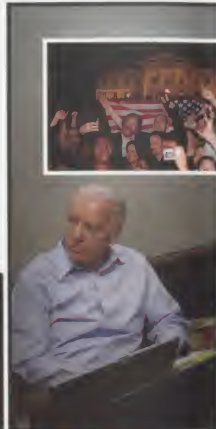
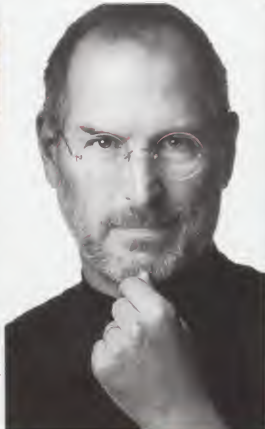
A VISIONARY'S LEGACY

HIS STORY The biography of Steve Jobs, written by Walter Isaacson, was Amazon's best-selling book of 2011 in October.



THE WORLD MOURNED A GREAT INNOVATOR

After years of speculation about his health, Apple CEO Steve Jobs resigned his post in August. On Oct. 5, at 56, pancreatic cancer took the California visionary too soon. Jobs co-founded Apple Computer in 1976 and, with his childhood friend, Steve Wozniak, marketed what was considered the world's first successful personal computer, changing the world. **GONE AT 48** Whitney Houston was set to perform at Clive Davis' pre-Grammy party at the Beverly Hilton hotel. Instead, the affair turned into a tribute for the singer/actress/model who was found lifeless in her suite that afternoon. **GABBY**



GIFFORDS RECOVERY The Democrat from Arizona, who survived a shooting in January 2011, stepped down from office a year later to concentrate on her recovery. A special election was set to fill the remainder of her term. **FINAL LIFT OFF** After nearly four decades of space exploration, America's three re-usable shuttles were retired over a five-month period in 2011. The shuttles Discovery, Endeavor and Atlantis were housed at museums from coast to coast as research continued from the International Space Station and future development and operation of new rockets and capsules was shifted from the government to private industry.



CH-CH-CHANGES...



DIPPIN' DOTS A costly legal battle contributed to a bankruptcy filing in Kentucky, where the "ice cream of the future" continued to be made.



BLOCKBUSTER FILES CHAPTER 11 Competitor Netflix forced the 25-year-old video rental company into bankruptcy, closing some stores and kiosks.



BORDERS America's second largest bookstore liquidated the stock of its 399 remaining stores as a result of the rapidly changing book industry.

#OTHERNOTABLEDEATHS ACTRESS ELIZABETH TAYLOR / RAPPER PIONEER HEAVY D / BLUES SINGER ETTA JAMES /



BREAKING WORLD NEWS TWITTER STYLE

IT STARTED SO INNOCENTLY. IT consultant Sohaib Athar (@ReallyVirtual) had moved to remote Abbottabad, Pakistan to escape the rat race. On May 1, 2011, he tweeted about a late-night military operation involving helicopters hovering over the city. While Navy Seals were involved in a firefight on Osama bin Laden's compound, Athar was lightheartedly complaining that the copters were keeping him awake. Unknowingly, he was the first to report the mission using Twitter. The attack on the 38,000-square-foot compound was followed by bin Laden's burial at sea.



NO MORE UNLIMITED DATA PLANS Verizon announced that, beginning in July, it would offer tiered data plans, calling unlimited plans "unsustainable."



DEMISE OF TWINKIES? Maker Hostess filed for bankruptcy (again), but there was no indication the sweet treats would become extinct.

@ReallyVirtual

Uh oh, now I'm the guy who liveblogged the Osama raid without knowing it.



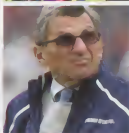
BOXING LEGEND Former heavyweight champion Joe Frazier died of liver cancer in Philadelphia at 67. A Gold medalist in the 1964 Tokyo Olympics, Frazier won 73% of his fights by knockout and was known for his left hook.



DICTATOR KIM JONG IL North Korea's long-time leader, believed to have had a stroke in 2008, died of a heart attack in December. His third son, Kim Jong Un, had been named his successor in September of 2010.



OOOOH YEAHHHHH The WWF's Macho Man Randy Savage died in Florida in May, 2011 when he had a heart attack while driving. The six-time world champion, who'd been retired from wrestling for more than five years, also did movie voiceovers.



JOE PATERNO AT 86 Penn State's head football coach had won more Division I games than any other coach (409); he went undefeated five times and had won 24 bowl games. He left the university amid controversy in November and died in January.

DUNDER MIFFED? After seven seasons playing Michael Scott, Steve Carell left The Office to concentrate on his movie career. While Carrell had originally announced that he would not return after the 2011 season, CBS later decided that the final episodes of the season would focus on the challenges of replacing Scott at the Scranton branch of the mythical paper company. **AMY WINEHOUSE** On July 23, 2011 Grammy award-winning singer Amy Winehouse was found dead in her London home. Following her death, the 2006 album, Back to Black, became the U.K.'s best-selling album in the 21st century.



FROM OPRAH TO OWN After 25 seasons on air, media mogul Oprah Winfrey pulled the plug on her talk show and created her OWN channel.

TAKIN' IT TO THE EXTREME

PUTTING A TIMESTAMP ON THE YEAR'S FADS/NEWS

BACON MANIA

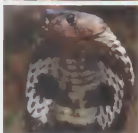
IT'S EVERYWHERE! From bacon bandages to an ever-growing array of edible products, bacon prevailed. Bacon-flavored cupcakes, lip balm and dental floss found their way to market.



TEBOW MANIA

FORMER HEISMAN TROPHY WINNER

and Denver Broncos QB Tim Tebow inspired fans when — surrounded by celebrating teammates — he knelt in prayer following a victory. As with other posing phenoms, photos and videos of people "Tebowing" and unaffected by their incongruous surroundings were common.



EVERYTHING OLD...

Instagram and Pinterest allowed photographers and crafters to create and share online. **CRAZY FOR COUPONS** From TV shows and websites teaching people to save to online services like Groupon and Living Social, it was all about getting more for less. **MIA (MISSING IN ACTION)** Thanks to Twitter, the world was very aware of a 20-inch cobra thought to be missing from the Bronx Zoo. After a week of searches, the three-ounce female was discovered onsite.

BACK TO THE FUTURE Nike started selling its Marty McFly self-lacing shoes in September, but it was the Air Jordan XI Concord that caused chaos, lines and holiday shopping scenarios that required police assistance. **PLANKING** It wasn't enough to lay face down, expressionless with your arms at your side and fingers and toes pointed. To "count" as planking, a photo or video needed to be posted online.



TRY IT FRIED...



KOOL-AID BALLS Now at the San Diego County Fair: a fried treat resembling a donut hole, flavored with cherry Kool-Aid. The vendor sold thousands.



MOON PIE With its graham cracker cookies, marshmallow filling and chocolate (or flavored) covering, this treat was also popular fried.



CANDY BARS A favorite at fairs for years, fried Snickers and other flavors were also found battered, fried and served à la mode on dessert menus.

#VIRALVIDEOS NYAN CAT / JACK SPARROW / ULTIMATE DOG TEASE / FRIDAY / TALKING TWIN BABIES

the 1990s, the number of people in the UK who are aged 65 and over has increased by 1.5 million, and the number of people aged 75 and over has increased by 1.1 million (Office of National Statistics 1999). The number of people aged 85 and over has increased by 0.5 million.

There is a growing awareness of the need to address the needs of the ageing population. The Department of Health (1999) has published a strategy for ageing, which sets out the government's commitment to improve the lives of older people. The strategy is based on three main principles: (1) to ensure that older people are able to live independently and actively; (2) to ensure that older people are able to access the services and support they need; and (3) to ensure that older people are able to participate in the life of their communities.

The strategy is based on the following assumptions: (1) that older people are a diverse group with different needs and interests; (2) that older people are able to live independently and actively; (3) that older people are able to access the services and support they need; and (4) that older people are able to participate in the life of their communities. The strategy is based on the following principles: (1) to ensure that older people are able to live independently and actively; (2) to ensure that older people are able to access the services and support they need; and (3) to ensure that older people are able to participate in the life of their communities.

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The world's not
ending; we're
just taking over!
- Class of 2012
Senior Quote
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Everybody in the club
[Portage High School] knows
me. - Rodney Gray, 12
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I'm looking forward to
graduating because I'll start
a new chapter in my life. -
Heather Hastings, 12
”

“
Because of the new six minute
bell, I have to basically sprint from
my class in West all the way to my
next class in East. It's pretty much
impossible! - Bethany Adams, 10
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“
I'm just excited to be a
senior. I'm about to go
off to college. I'm about
to close this chapter and
open a new one.
- Destiny Cooley, 12
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Portage High
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-Felicia
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I'm mostly looking forward to
experiencing PHS in a new way.
Also, I am looking forward to my
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enjoy. - Samantha Peek, 11
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